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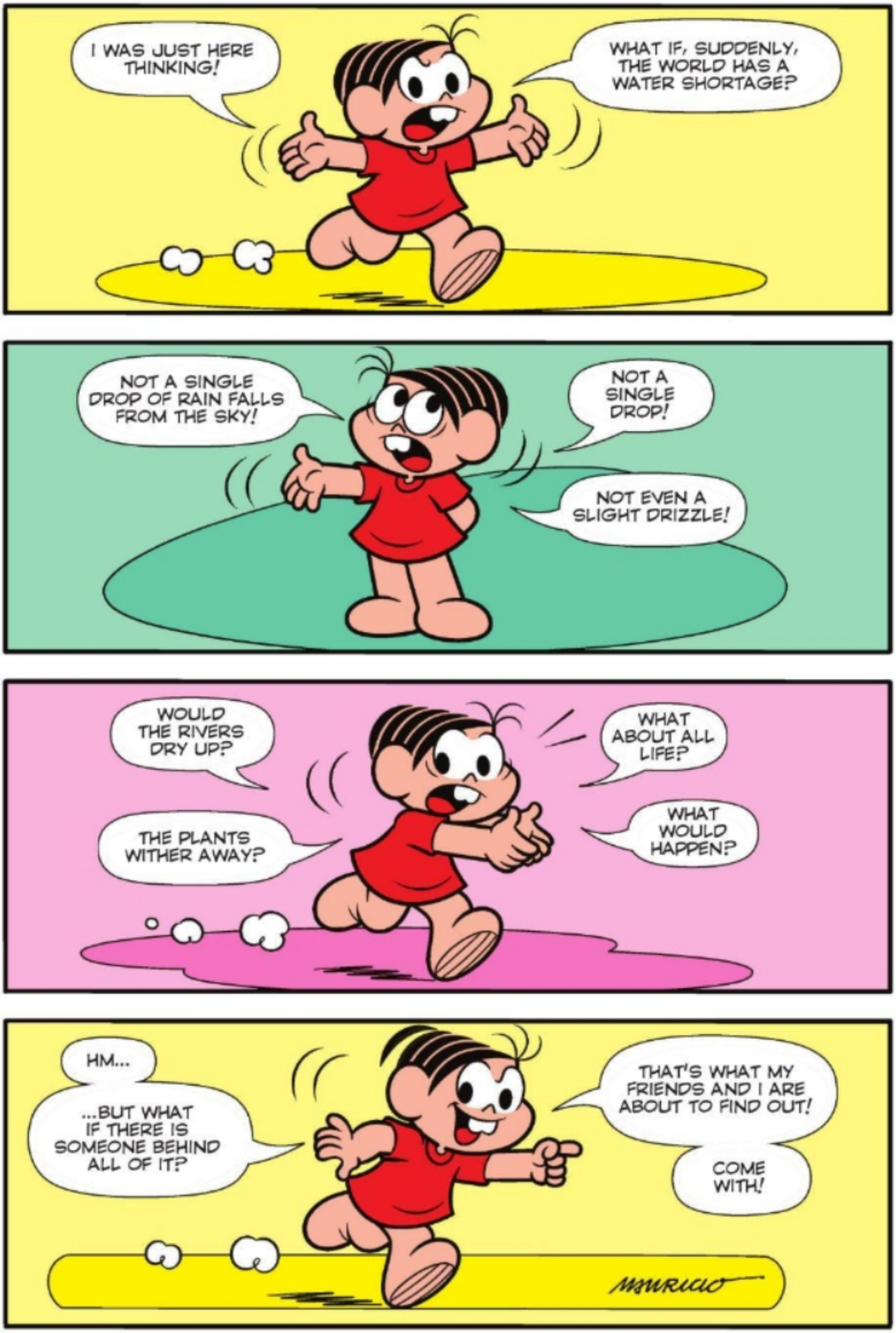
I WAS JUST HERE THINKING!
WHAT IF, SUDDENLY, THE WORLD HAS A WATER SHORTAGE?
NOT A SINGLE DROP OF RAIN FALLS FROM THE SKY!
NOT A SINGLE DROP!
NOT EVEN A SLIGHT DRIZZLE!
WOULD THE RIVERS DRY UP?
THE PLANTS WITHER AWAY?
WHAT ABOUT ALL LIFE?
WHAT WOULD HAPPEN?
HM...
...BUT WHAT IF THERE IS SOMEONE BEHIND ALL OF IT?
THAT'S WHAT MY FRIENDS AND I ARE ABOUT TO FIND OUT!
COME WITH!
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Monica AND FRIENDS in

PLANET EARTH, PLANET WATER

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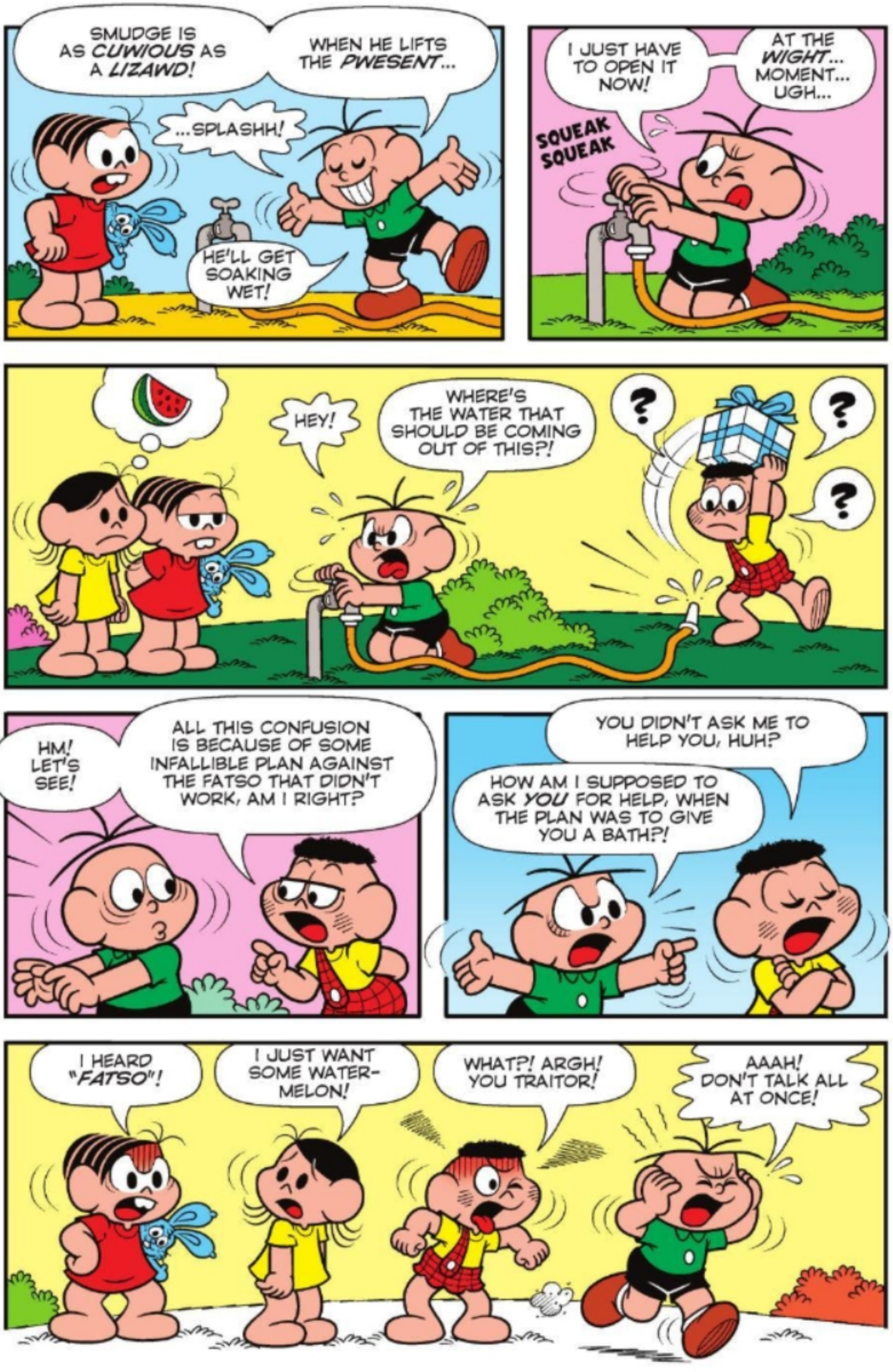
THIS STORY WAS THE INSPIRATION FOR THE "MONICA AND FRIENDS VS. CAPTAIN FRAY" (TURMA DA MÔNICA CONTRA O CAPITÃO FEIO) PLAY.

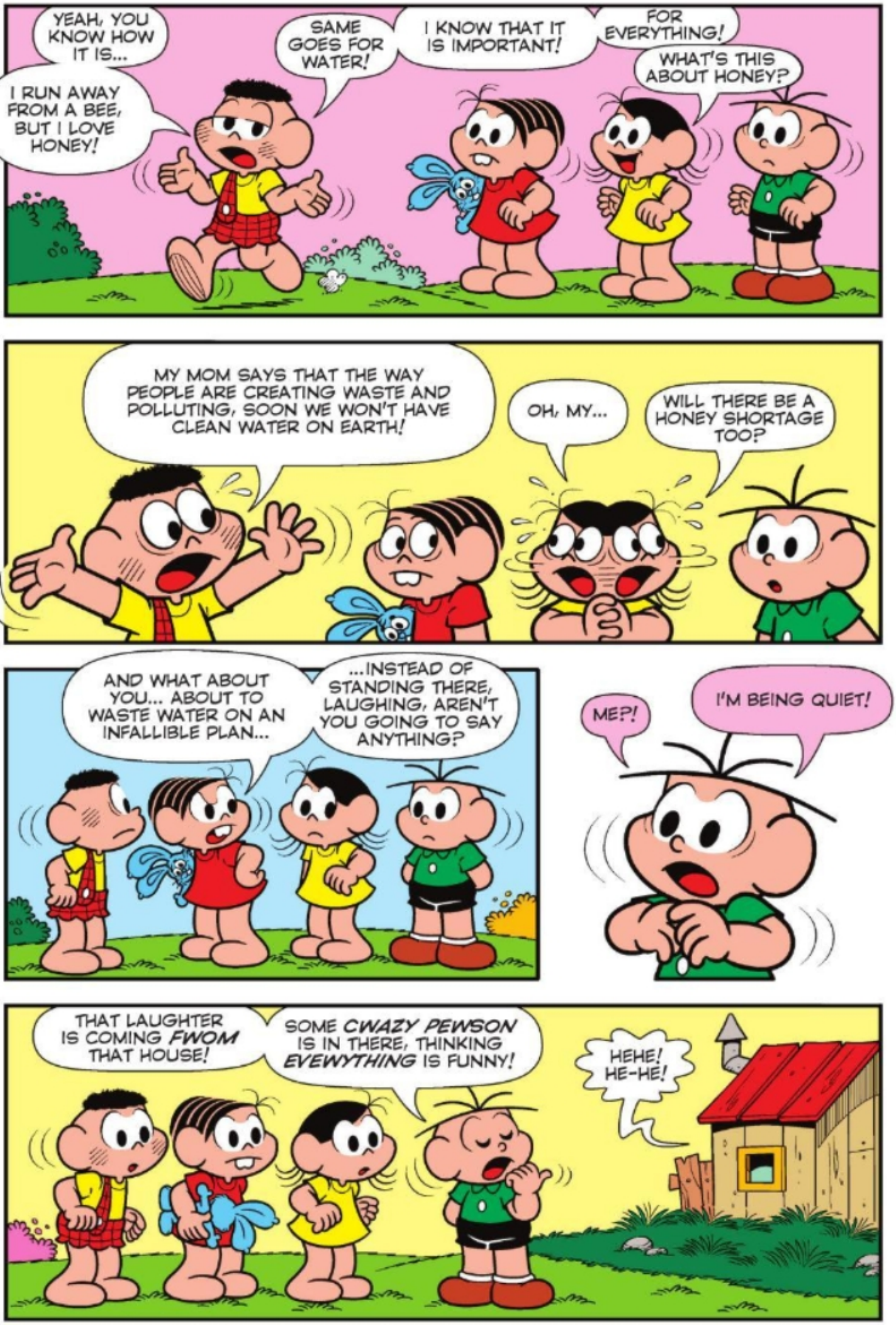
BUT WHAT HAPPENED?
IS THE EARTH BEING THREATENED BY ALIENS?
IS IT THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE?
HAVE MUMMIES COME BACK TO LIFE?
IT'S WORSE THAN THAT!
I REALLY FEEL LIKE EATING WATERMELON!
UGH?!
WHAT'S NEW ABOUT THAT?!
THAT'S THE PROBLEM!
I CAN'T FIND A WATERMELON *ANYWHERE!*
AND THAT'S NOT ALL!
OTHER FRUITS ARE MISSING FROM THE GROCERY STORE!
PEARS, ORANGES, STAR FRUITS...
OH, IF THAT'S ALL... WHY DON'T YOU EAT SOMETHING DIFFERENT?
LIKE A POPSICLE!
DO YOU THINK I DIDN'T TRY THAT?
THEY ARE MISSING TOO!

MR. VENDERSON, FROM THE STORE, SAID IT'S BECAUSE THERE'S A DROUGHT!
WITHOUT ENOUGH WATER, THE TREES DON'T GROW!
AND IF THEY DON'T GROW, THEY DON'T BEAR FRUIT!
HEY, MAGGY! I WAS JUST REMEMBERING...
BIG, TASTY, AND JUICY FRUITS!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE IT HAS RAINED!
I BET NO ONE IS SAVING WATER!
THAT'S WHY IT'S LACKING!
SOON ALL WE'LL HAVE IS CACTI!
HM... I BET SMUDGE IS HAPPY ABOUT ALL THIS!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, THERE GOES HIS BUDDY!
HE! HE! HE!

HEY, JIMMY FIVE!
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, HIDING BEHIND THAT BUSH?
SHHH!!!
BE SILENT, GIWLS!
I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF AN INFALLIBLE PLAN!
AND, THIS TIME, IT CAN'T FAIL!
WHAT PLAN?!
HA! I SHOULD HAVE GUESSED!
AH! WAIT, MONICA!
IT'S NOT FOR YOU! THE INFALLIBLE PLAN IS TO GET SMUDGE TO TAKE A SHOWER!
SEE?
UNDER THAT PWESENT THERE'S A WATER HOSE!
THAT'S CONNECTED TO THIS FAUCET...
...WHICH IS UNDER MY CONTWOL!
HE, HE, HE!


SMUDGE IS AS CUWIOUS AS A LIZAWD!
WHEN HE LIFTS THE PWESENT...
...SPLASHH!
HE'LL GET SOAKING WET!
I JUST HAVE TO OPEN IT NOW!
AT THE WIGHT... MOMENT... UGH...
SQUEAK SQUEAK
HEY!
WHERE'S THE WATER THAT SHOULD BE COMING OUT OF THIS?!
?
?
?
HM! LET'S SEE!
ALL THIS CONFUSION IS BECAUSE OF SOME INFALLIBLE PLAN AGAINST THE FATSO THAT DIDN'T WORK, AM I RIGHT?
YOU DIDN'T ASK ME TO HELP YOU, HUH?
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO ASK YOU FOR HELP, WHEN THE PLAN WAS TO GIVE YOU A BATH?!
I HEARD "FATSO"!
I JUST WANT SOME WATER-MELON!
WHAT?! ARGH! YOU TRAITOR!
AAAH! DON'T TALK ALL AT ONCE!

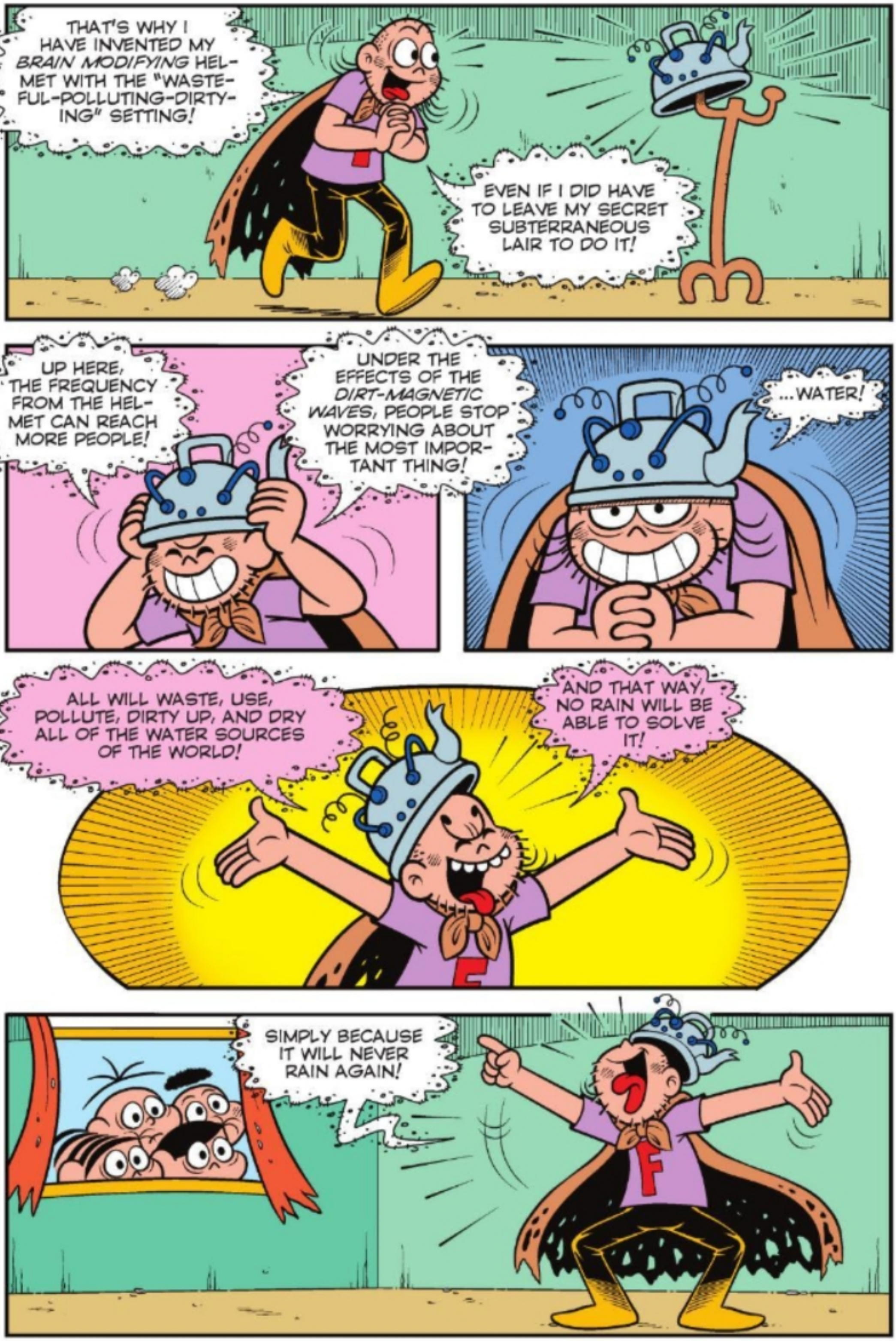
NO NEED TO TALK AT ALL, BALDY!
NO PLAN WILL EVER TAKE DOWN THE GREAT AND UNBEAT-ABLE SMUDGE!
ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE'S A WATER SHORTAGE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD!
WHAT?!
WATER SHORT-AGE?
I KNEW YOU WERE ACTING *STWANGELY* CALM!
YOU GUYS DIDN'T KNOW?
AM I THE ONLY ONE AROUND HERE THAT CARES ABOUT THE NEWS?
DO YOU MEAN THE WEATHER FORECAST?
I JUST CARE ABOUT THE WATERMELONS!
AND ME, MY INFALLIBLE PLANS!
AAAH!!! THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT!
THE WEATHER?! WATERMELONS?! PLANS TO GIVE BATHS?!
IT HASN'T RAINED IN DAYS!
AND YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?
YOUR SMELL GETS *WOWSE*?
UGHHH! IT MEANS WATER SHORTAGE, DUDE!
SO...
THERE'S NO WATER FOR WASHING!
FOR THE CROPS!
NOT EVEN FOR DRINKING!
HUH... AND YOU ARE *WOWIED* ABOUT ALL OF THAT?



YEAH, YOU KNOW HOW IT IS...
I RUN AWAY FROM A BEE, BUT I LOVE HONEY!
SAME GOES FOR WATER!
I KNOW THAT IT IS IMPORTANT!
FOR EVERYTHING!
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT HONEY?
MY MOM SAYS THAT THE WAY PEOPLE ARE CREATING WASTE AND POLLUTING, SOON WE WON'T HAVE CLEAN WATER ON EARTH!
OH, MY...
WILL THERE BE A HONEY SHORTAGE TOO?
AND WHAT ABOUT YOU... ABOUT TO WASTE WATER ON AN INFALLIBLE PLAN...
...INSTEAD OF STANDING THERE, LAUGHING, AREN'T YOU GOING TO SAY ANYTHING?
ME?!
I'M BEING QUIET!
THAT LAUGHTER IS COMING *FWOM* THAT HOUSE!
SOME *CWAZY PEWSON* IS IN THERE, THINKING *EVEWYTHING* IS FUNNY!
HEHE! HE-HE!

CAPTAIN FRAY'S DIRTY PLAN

2ND PART


THAT'S WHY I HAVE INVENTED MY *BRAIN MODIFYING* HELMET WITH THE "WASTEFUL-POLLUTING-DIRTYING" SETTING!
EVEN IF I DID HAVE TO LEAVE MY SECRET SUBTERRANEOUS LAIR TO DO IT!
UP HERE, THE FREQUENCY FROM THE HELMET CAN REACH MORE PEOPLE!
UNDER THE EFFECTS OF THE *DIRT-MAGNETIC WAVES*, PEOPLE STOP WORRYING ABOUT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING!
...WATER!
ALL WILL WASTE, USE, POLLUTE, DIRTY UP, AND DRY ALL OF THE WATER SOURCES OF THE WORLD!
AND THAT WAY, NO RAIN WILL BE ABLE TO SOLVE IT!
SIMPLY BECAUSE IT WILL NEVER RAIN AGAIN!

IT'S CAPTAIN FRAY!
HE'S THE ONE THAT'S BEHIND ALL OF THIS!
I KNEW IT! IT'S AN INFALLIBLE AND *DIWTY* PLAN!
OH, NO! WHAT IF HE COMES AFTER ME AGAIN?!
EVERY TIME HE COMES UP WITH A PLAN HE WANTS ME TO BE PART OF IT IN SOME WAY!
SMUDGY, DO THIS!
SMUDGY, DO THAT!
NOW, HE'S GONE TOO FAR!
YOU'LL SEE, ANY MINUTE NOW HE'LL SHOW UP AND...
A-HA!
I HADN'T THOUGHT OF THAT!
BUT SINCE YOU'RE ALL HERE, IT'S A GREAT IDEA!
?
?
?
?
I'M GOING TO WANT HELP FROM ALL OF YOU!
THIS WAY NONE OF YOU GET IN MY WAY!
I JUST HAVE TO AIM THE ANTENNAS IN YOUR DIRECTION AND YOU'LL OBEY ME!
SCREECH
SCREECH

HEY!
WHERE DID THEY GO?
RUUNNN!!!
THE CAPTAIN AND HIS PLANS ARE WOWSE THAN AN ANGWY MONICA!
GET BACK HERE!
AAAHHH!!!
ZAP
ERR!
THAT WAS CLOSE!
I'M GLAD I'M USED TO WUNNING... FWOM GETTING BASHED BY YOUR PLUSH WABBIT!
IT'S JUST GOOD THAT HE DIDN'T GET ANY OF US!

DUH...
?
?
?
SMUDGE IS ACTING WEIRD!
HE WAS BEHIND MAGGY, WHO WAS BEHIND ME...
DO YOU THINK ONE OF THE RAYS GOT HIM?!
MUST WASTE...
...WATER!
?
?
?
GET HIM!
HE'S GONE COMPLETELY BONKERS!
THUMP
?
MUST THROW TRASH INTO THE RIVER!
?
POLLUTE! POLLUTE!
WHO WANTS WATER?
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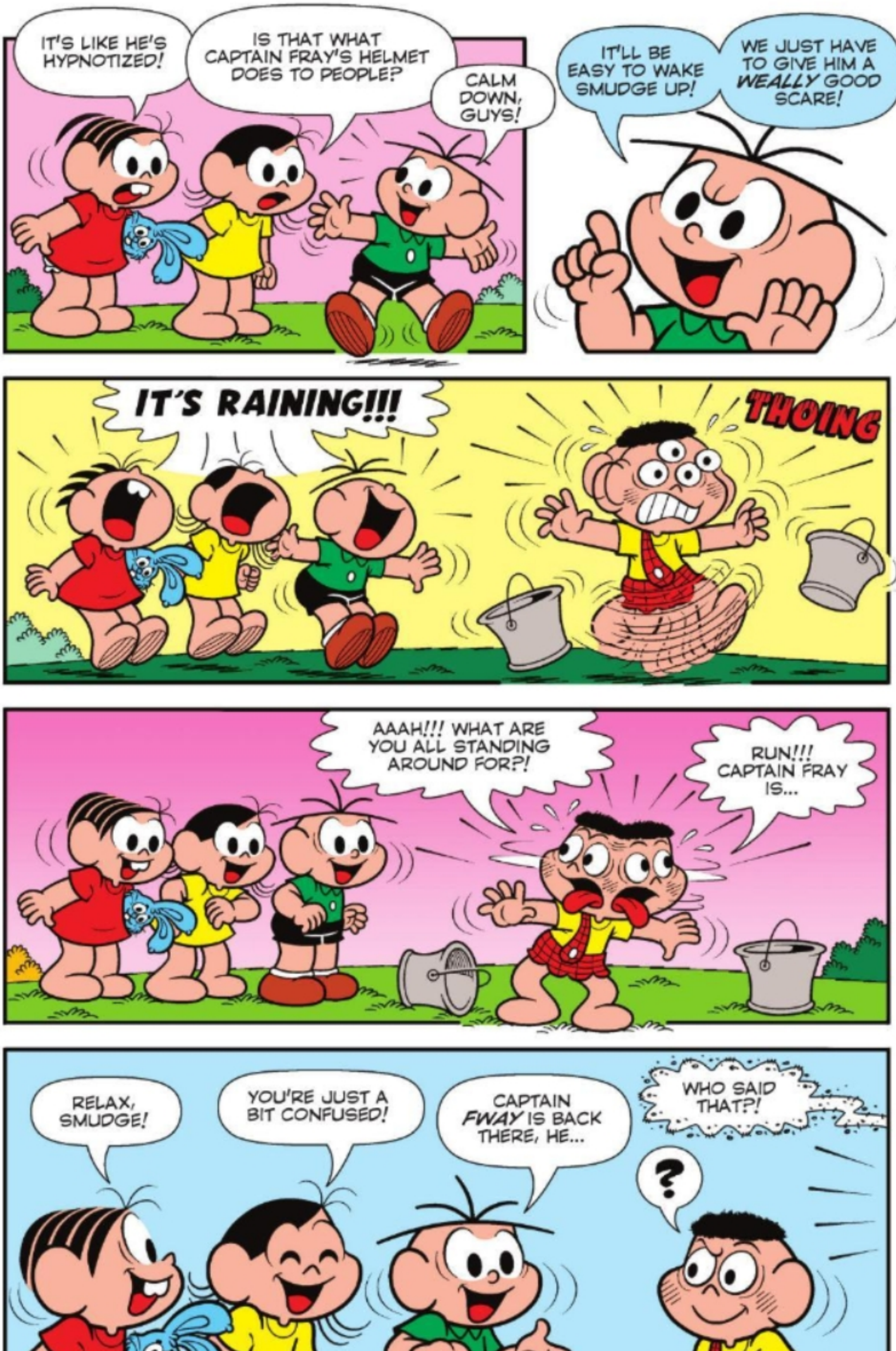
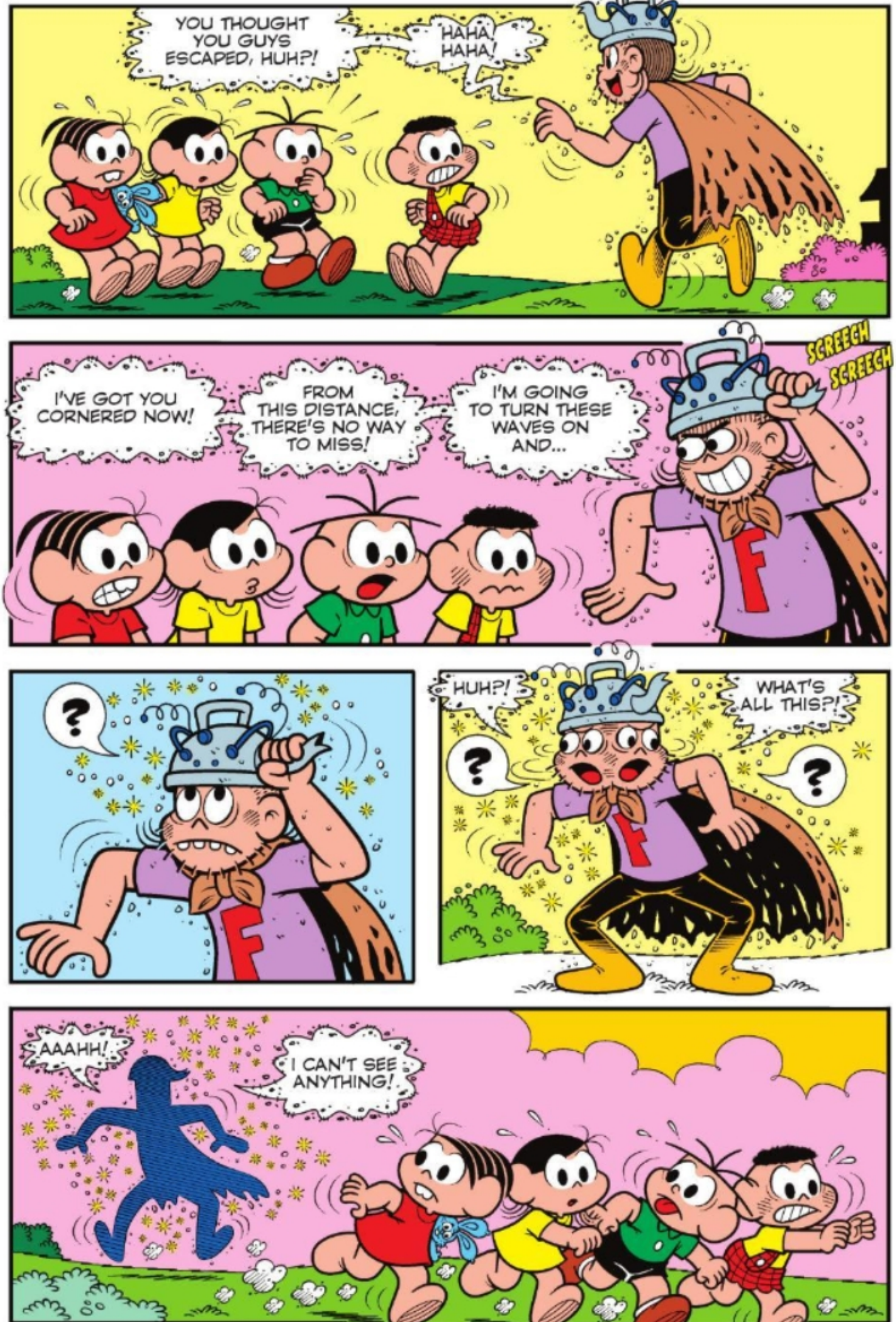

IT'S LIKE HE'S HYPNOTIZED!
IS THAT WHAT CAPTAIN FRAY'S HELMET DOES TO PEOPLE?
CALM DOWN, GUYS!
IT'LL BE EASY TO WAKE SMUDGE UP!
WE JUST HAVE TO GIVE HIM A *WEALLY* GOOD SCARE!
IT'S RAINING!!!
THOING
AAAH!!! WHAT ARE YOU ALL STANDING AROUND FOR?!
RUN!!! CAPTAIN FRAY IS...
RELAX, SMUDGE!
YOU'RE JUST A BIT CONFUSED!
CAPTAIN *FWAY* IS BACK THERE, HE...
?
WHO SAID THAT?!

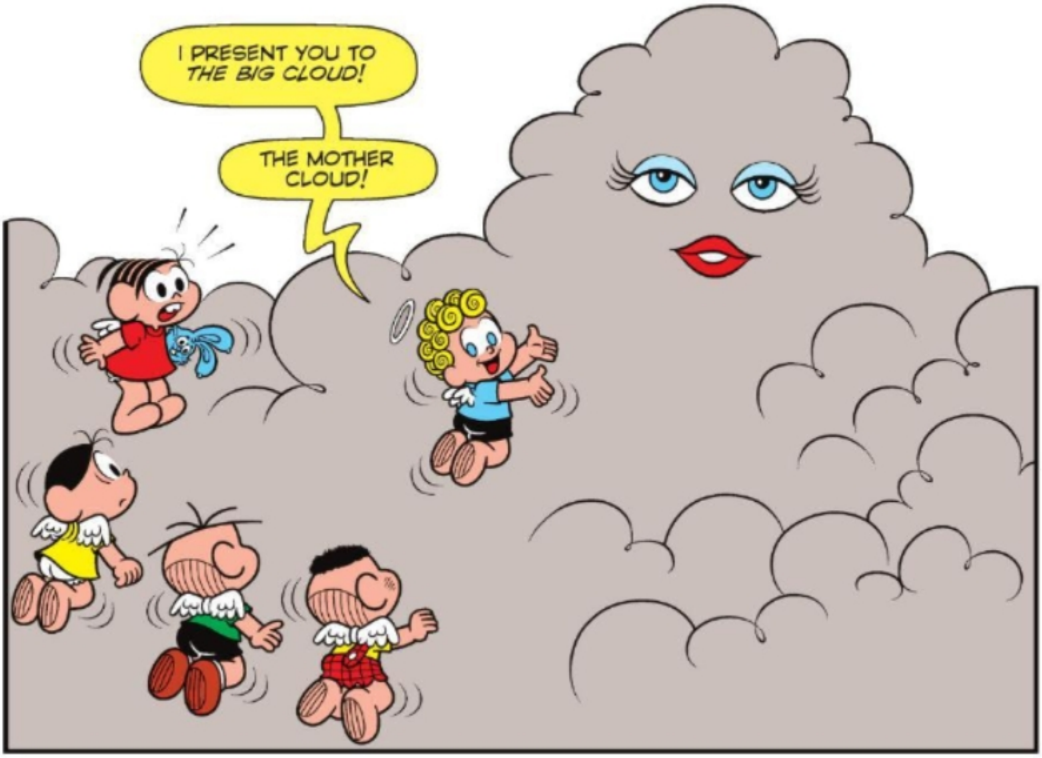

YOU THOUGHT YOU GUYS ESCAPED, HUH?!
HAHA! HAHA!
I'VE GOT YOU CORNERED NOW!
FROM THIS DISTANCE, THERE'S NO WAY TO MISS!
I'M GOING TO TURN THESE WAVES ON AND...
SCREECH
SCREECH
?
HUH?!
WHAT'S ALL THIS?!
?
?
AAAHH!
I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!

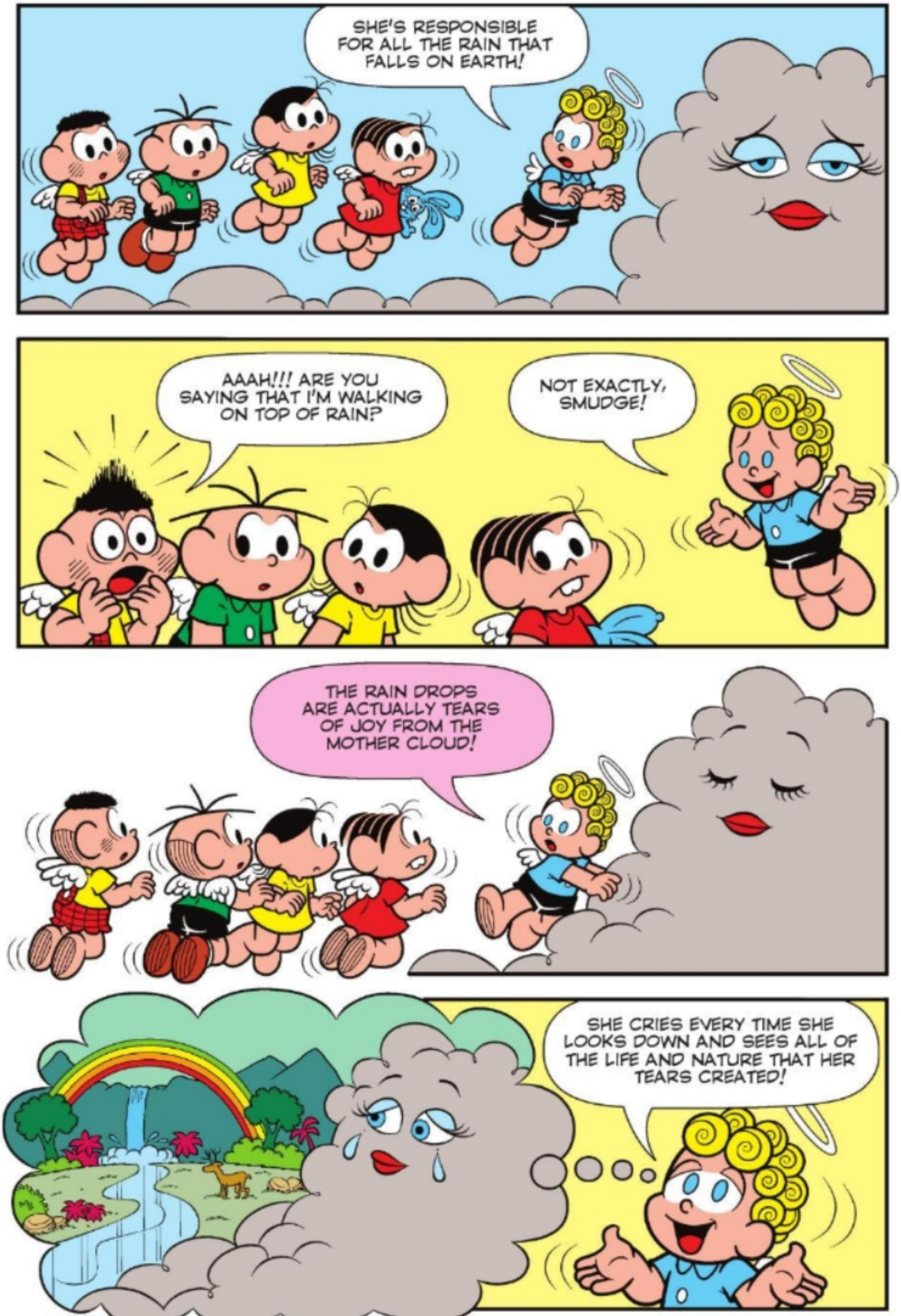
3RD PART THE BIG CLOUD

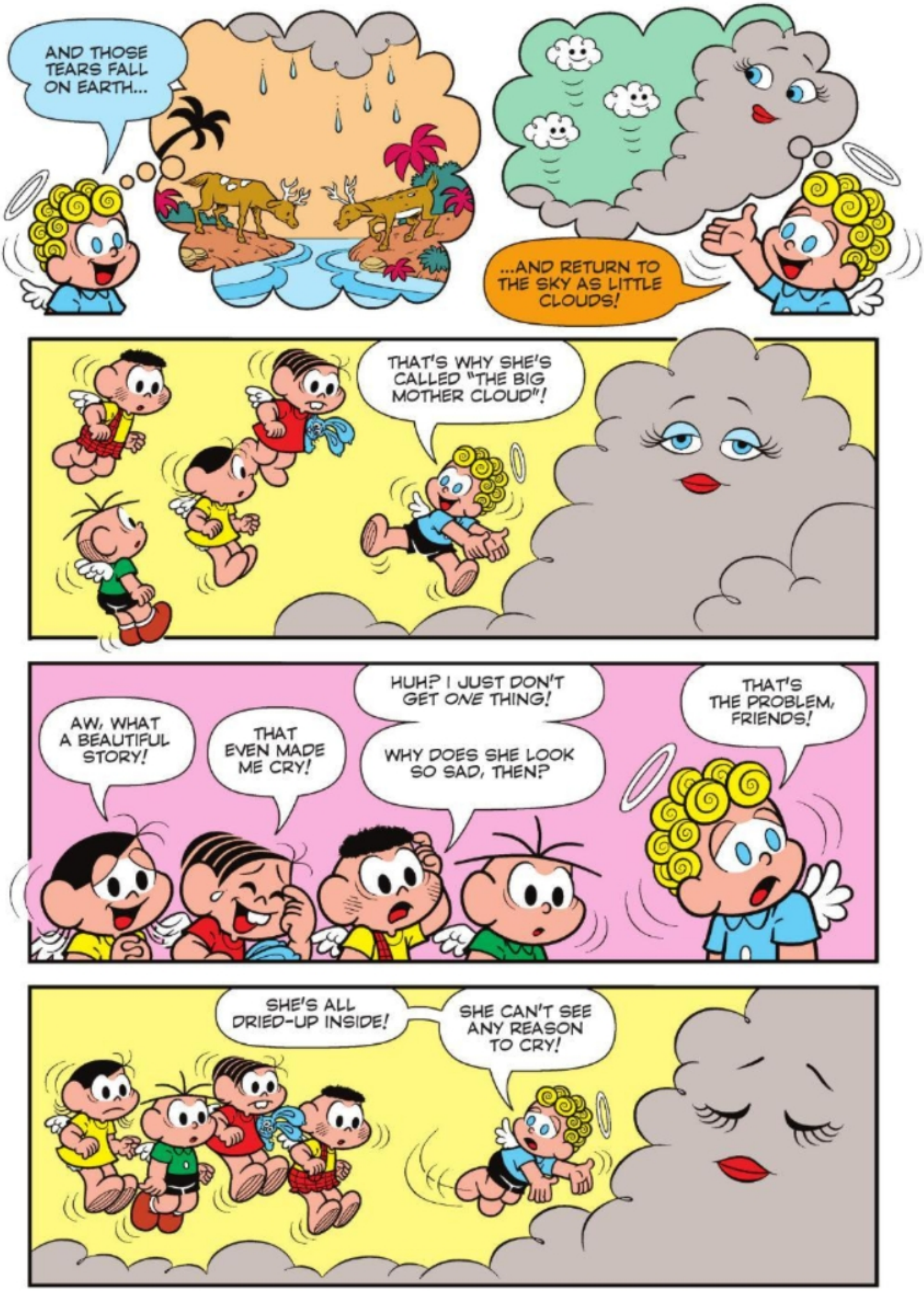
FLY? BUT WHY?
I THINK I'LL BE AFRAID!
I'M USED TO IT *ALWEADY!* HE-HE!
NO NEED FOR A BUNNY BASHING, JIMMY FIVE!
DO WE HAVE TO THINK HAPPY THOUGHTS?
A SONG THAT TOUCHES OUR HEART?
A *WAWM MEMOWY?*
HOT DOG WITH RADISH?
YOU CAN DO ALL OF THAT! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS PRESS THE BUTTON ON THE SIDE!
AND THEN JUST FOLLOW ME!
ZOOM

WOW, ANGEL, THIS FEELS SO NICE!
FEELS LIKE I'M SKATING!
BUT WITHOUT SKATES!
AND WITHOUT FALLING! HEHE!

NOW, SILENCE!
THIS IS WHAT I WANTED YOU GUYS TO SEE!

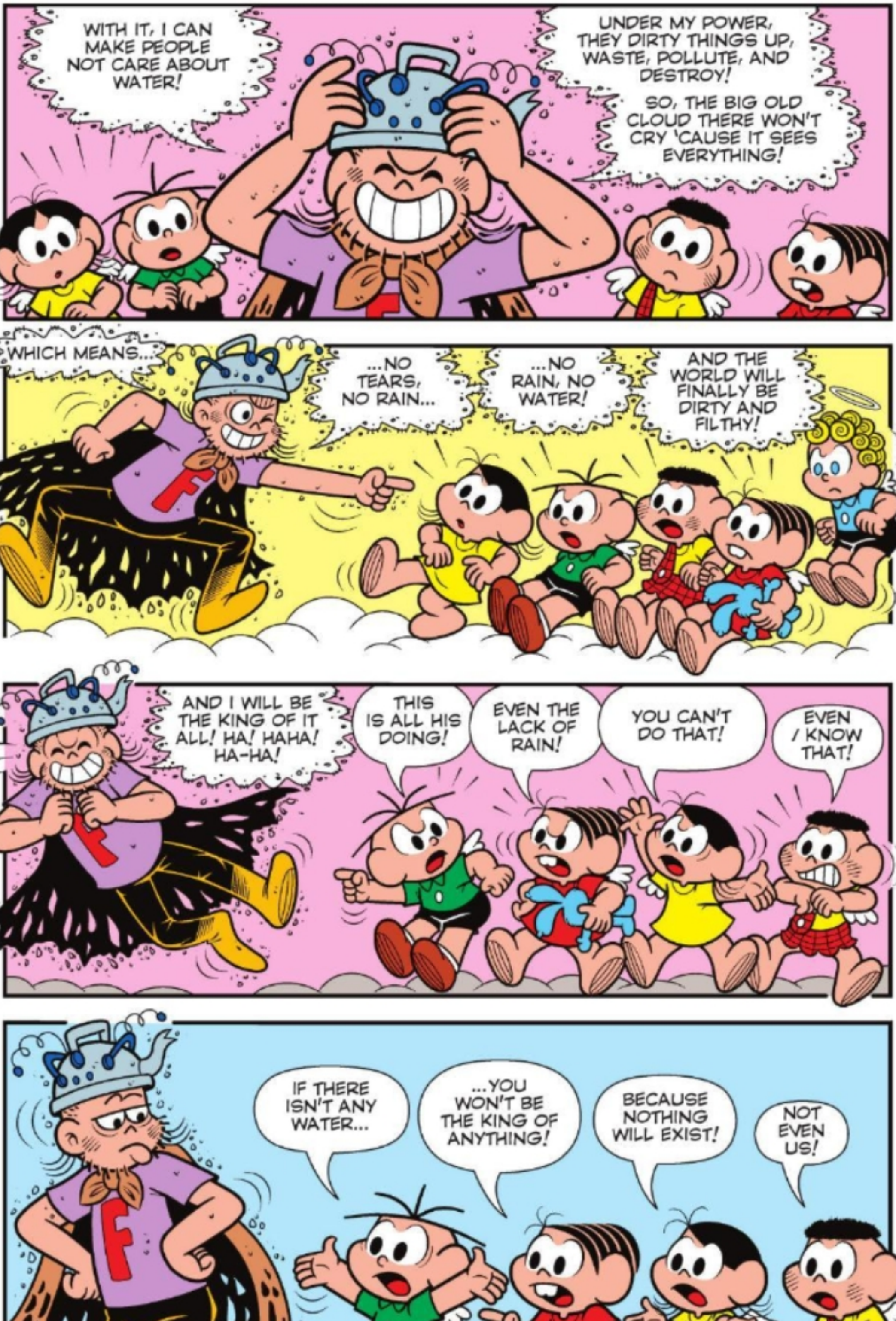

I PRESENT YOU TO *THE BIG CLOUD!*
THE MOTHER CLOUD!


SHE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE RAIN THAT FALLS ON EARTH!
AAAH!!! ARE YOU SAYING THAT I'M WALKING ON TOP OF RAIN?
NOT EXACTLY, SMUDGE!
THE RAIN DROPS ARE ACTUALLY TEARS OF JOY FROM THE MOTHER CLOUD!
SHE CRIES EVERY TIME SHE LOOKS DOWN AND SEES ALL OF THE LIFE AND NATURE THAT HER TEARS CREATED!

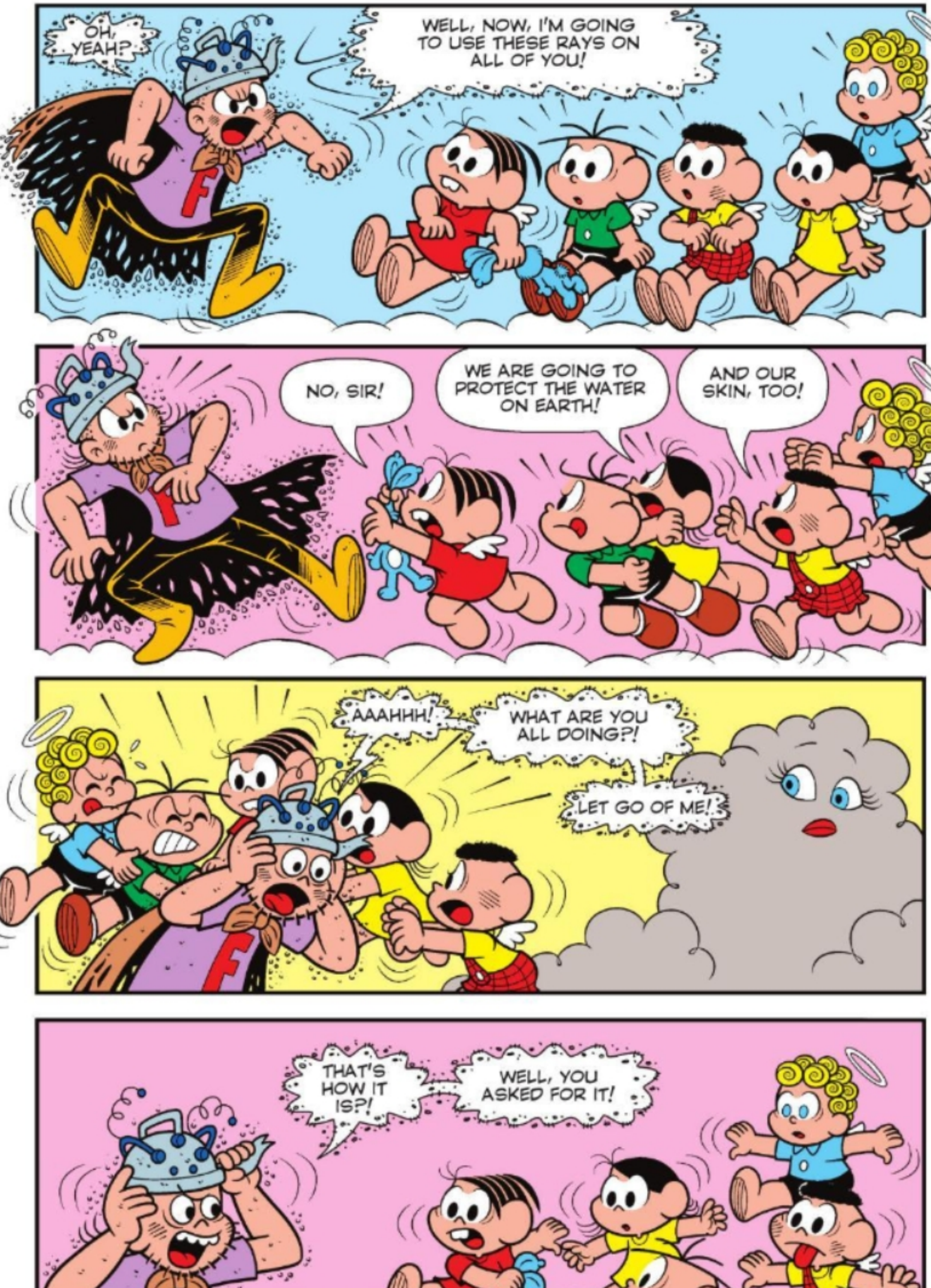

AND THOSE TEARS FALL ON EARTH...
...AND RETURN TO THE SKY AS LITTLE CLOUDS!
THAT'S WHY SHE'S CALLED "THE BIG MOTHER CLOUD"!
AW, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL STORY!
THAT EVEN MADE ME CRY!
HUH? I JUST DON'T GET ONE THING!
WHY DOES SHE LOOK SO SAD, THEN?
THAT'S THE PROBLEM, FRIENDS!
SHE'S ALL DRIED-UP INSIDE!
SHE CAN'T SEE ANY REASON TO CRY!

OR ANY REASON TO LOOK DOWN!
IT'S JUST THAT, THE WAY PEOPLE ARE ACTING...
...WASTING WATER, POLLUTING RIVERS, AND DESTROYING NATURE...
...SHE CAN'T SEE LIFE, BEAUTY, OR NATURE!
SO, SHE'S SAD!
HA! HA! HA!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I WANTED TO HAPPEN!

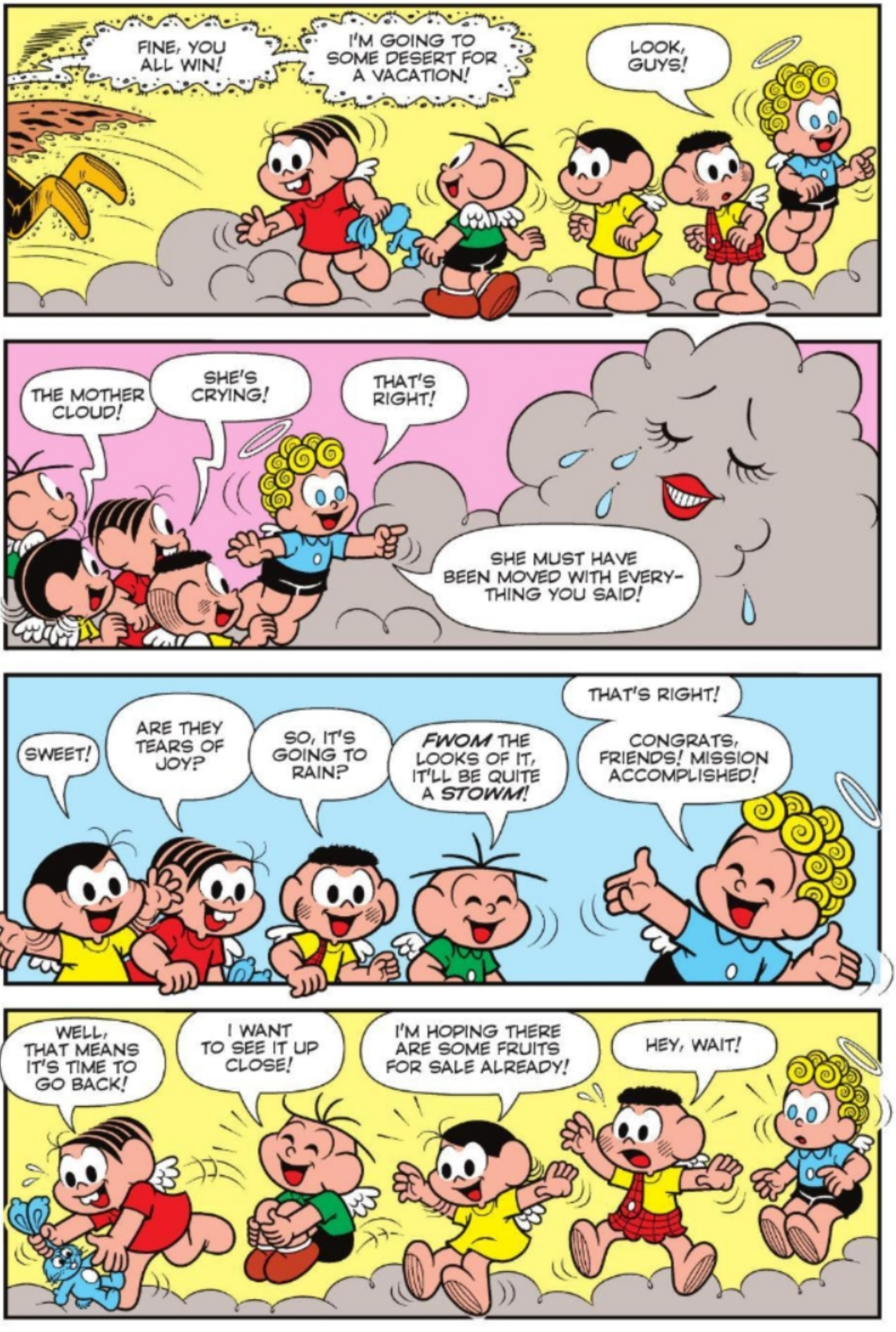
AND THERE YOU ALL ARE!
SO, THE LITTLE PESTS DISCOVERED MY PLAN, HUH?
CAPTAIN FRAY!!!
HOW DID HE GET HERE?!
HAVE YOU ALL FORGOTTEN THAT I CAN FLY, KIDS?
AND WITH THE POWER OF MY DIRT-MAGNETIC WAVES...
I DON'T EVEN NEED LITTLE ARTIFICIAL WINGS!
IT WAS DURING ONE OF MY ROUNDS UP HERE, THAT I SAW THAT CLOUD!
I OBSERVED AND LEARNED THE WHOLE PROCESS OF RAIN FALLING ON EARTH!
AND THAT'S WHEN I HAD THE IDEA OF BUILDING MY CREATION!
THE WASTEFUL-POLLUTING-DIRTYING HELMET!


WITH IT, I CAN MAKE PEOPLE NOT CARE ABOUT WATER!
UNDER MY POWER, THEY DIRTY THINGS UP, WASTE, POLLUTE, AND DESTROY!
SO, THE BIG OLD CLOUD THERE WON'T CRY 'CAUSE IT SEES EVERYTHING!
WHICH MEANS...
...NO TEARS, NO RAIN...
...NO RAIN, NO WATER!
AND THE WORLD WILL FINALLY BE DIRTY AND FILTHY!
AND I WILL BE THE KING OF IT ALL! HA! HAHA! HA-HA!
THIS IS ALL HIS DOING!
EVEN THE LACK OF RAIN!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT!
EVEN I KNOW THAT!
IF THERE ISN'T ANY WATER...
...YOU WON'T BE THE KING OF ANYTHING!
BECAUSE NOTHING WILL EXIST!
NOT EVEN US!

THE WOWLD DEPENDS ON IT!
IT'S THE SOURCE OF LIFE FOR ANIMALS AND VEGETABLES!
IT'S USED FOR SPORTS, TRANSPORT, ENERGY...
...ALSO, FOR... GULP... CLEANING!
WE NEED IT!
BAH!!!
ENOUGH OF ALL THAT NONSENSE TALK!
I'M NOT FALLING FOR IT!
I'M GOING TO USE MY HELMET, AND THAT'S THAT!
OH, NO, YOU ARE NOT!
POFF
AAAH!!! NOW YOU'VE ANNOYED ME EVEN MORE!
THAT'S WHAT YOU GET!


OH, YEAH?
WELL, NOW, I'M GOING TO USE THESE RAYS ON ALL OF YOU!
NO, SIR!
WE ARE GOING TO PROTECT THE WATER ON EARTH!
AND OUR SKIN, TOO!
AAAHHH!
WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING?!
LET GO OF ME!
THAT'S HOW IT IS?!
WELL, YOU ASKED FOR IT!

SQUEAK
SQUEAK
I'M GOING TO TURN THE HELMET TO FULL POWER!
ZAP
HUH?
WHAT WAS THAT?!
AAHHH! MY HELMET!
LOOK!
IT WAS THE MOTHER CLOUD!
SHE RELEASES LIGHTNING BOLTS!
WITH THE HELMET DESTROYED, I'VE LOST THE POWER OVER PEOPLE!
IT'S ABOUT TIME!
NYAH! NYAH! *EVEWYTHING* IS BACK TO NORMAL!
YOU MEAN THERE WILL BE WATERMELONS?!
I THINK ONLY IF IT RAINS!



FINE, YOU ALL WIN!
I'M GOING TO SOME DESERT FOR A VACATION!
LOOK, GUYS!
THE MOTHER CLOUD!
SHE'S CRYING!
THAT'S RIGHT!
SHE MUST HAVE BEEN MOVED WITH EVERY-THING YOU SAID!
SWEET!
ARE THEY TEARS OF JOY?
SO, IT'S GOING TO RAIN?
FWOM THE LOOKS OF IT, IT'LL BE QUITE A STOWM!
THAT'S RIGHT!
CONGRATS, FRIENDS! MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!
WELL, THAT MEANS IT'S TIME TO GO BACK!
I WANT TO SEE IT UP CLOSE!
I'M HOPING THERE ARE SOME FRUITS FOR SALE ALREADY!
HEY, WAIT!

HM... ANY CHANCE YOU HAVE AN UMBRELLA I COULD BORROW, ANGEL?
SURE DO!
AN ANGELICAL UMBRELLA!
COVERED BY STAR DUST!
LOOK! THE RAINDROPS ARE FALLING!
MOTHER CLOUD MUST BE *WEALLY* HAPPY!
AND THE LITTLE CLOUDS ARE RISING!
AND, AS FOR ME, I'M GOING TO ENJOY IT!
BECAUSE I'M ALL FOR RAIN WHEN IT COMES AT THE RIGHT TIME!
END

BUG-A-BOOO in
HIS NAME ISN'T JOHNNY
JOHNNY STAR!
JOHNNY!!!
JOHNNY STAR!
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JOHNNY, AN INTERVIEW FOR CELEB TV?
JOHNNY!!!
JOHNNY, I LOVE YOU!!!
JOHNNY!!!
HOTEL
JOHNNY STAR!

MR. REYNOLD PARKER?
AAAHHH!!!
I'M SORRY, THERE WAS SUCH A COMMOTION DOWNSTAIRS... I CAME IN THROUGH THE WINDOW, I...
NO! THAT'S NOT IT! WHAT DID YOU CALL ME?
REYNOLD PARKER! ISN'T THAT YOUR NAME?
IT IS!
THAT IS MY NAME! IT'S BEEN YEARS SINCE SOMEONE CALLED ME BY MY REAL NAME!

MAY I KNOW THE NAME OF WHO JUST MADE ME FEEL SO GREAT?
MACDEATH!
THANK YOU, LADY MACDEATH!
DID YOU HEAR WHAT I SAID?
YES! I KNOW YOU'VE COME TO GET ME!
WELL, IF THAT'S HOW IT IS... LET'S WASTE NO TIME!
AT LEAST IN THE AFTERLIFE, I'LL GO BACK TO BEING REYNOLD PARKER!
JOHNNY!!!
IT'S JOHNNY STAR!!!
JOHNNY!
CAN I GET AN AUTOGRAPH?
WILL YOU TAKE A SELFIE WITH ME?
END

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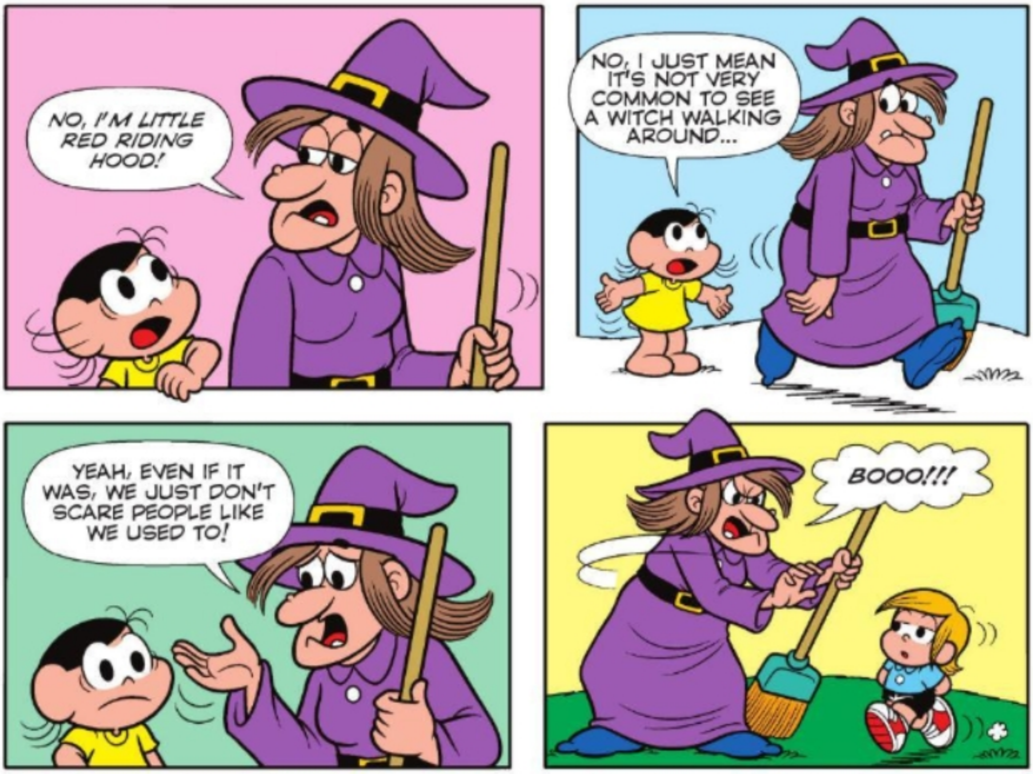
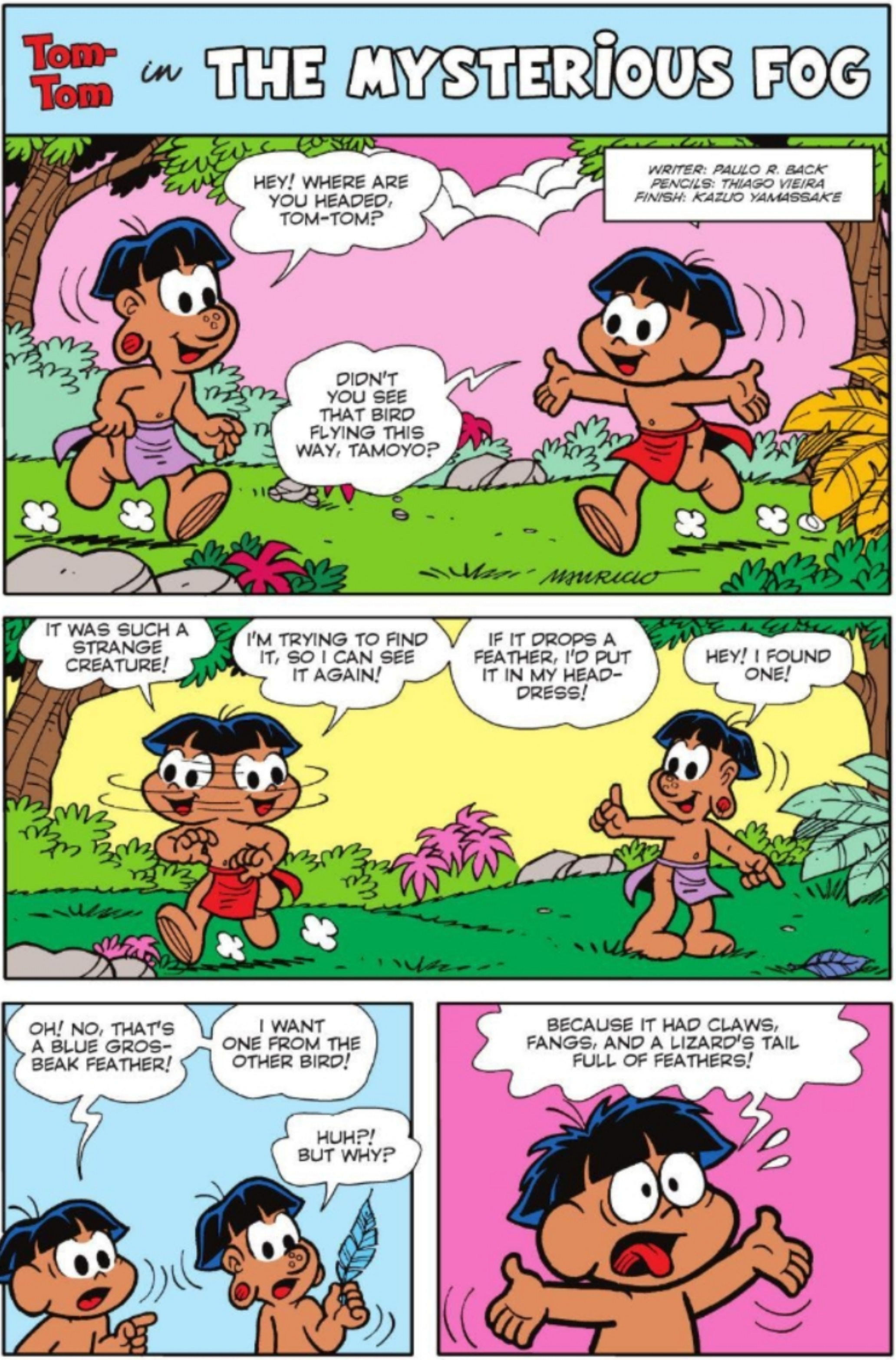


SEE, THAT LITTLE KID DIDN'T EVEN BLINK!

WELL, TURNING PEOPLE INTO CREATURES NOWADAYS CAN BE DONE ON ANY CELL-PHONE APP!

"BUT WE DO SO MUCH MORE THAN THAT! WE CAN PUT PRINCESSES TO SLEEP FOR CENTURIES..."
"...WE CAN CHANGE INTO DRAGONS AND FIGHT PRINCES..."
"...DESTROY KINGDOMS!"

WE CAN DO ALL OF THAT AND MUCH MORE! WE ARE VERY POWERFUL!
BUT NO ONE CARES ABOUT ANY OF THAT ANYMORE, WHAT'S A WITCH TO DO NOWADAYS?
HM... I HAVE AN IDEA!
AND...
THEN, I GAVE SNOW WHITE AN APPLE... AFTER THAT FIRST BITE... *THUD!*
TODAY:
STORY TIME
END


Tom-Tom in THE MYSTERIOUS FOG
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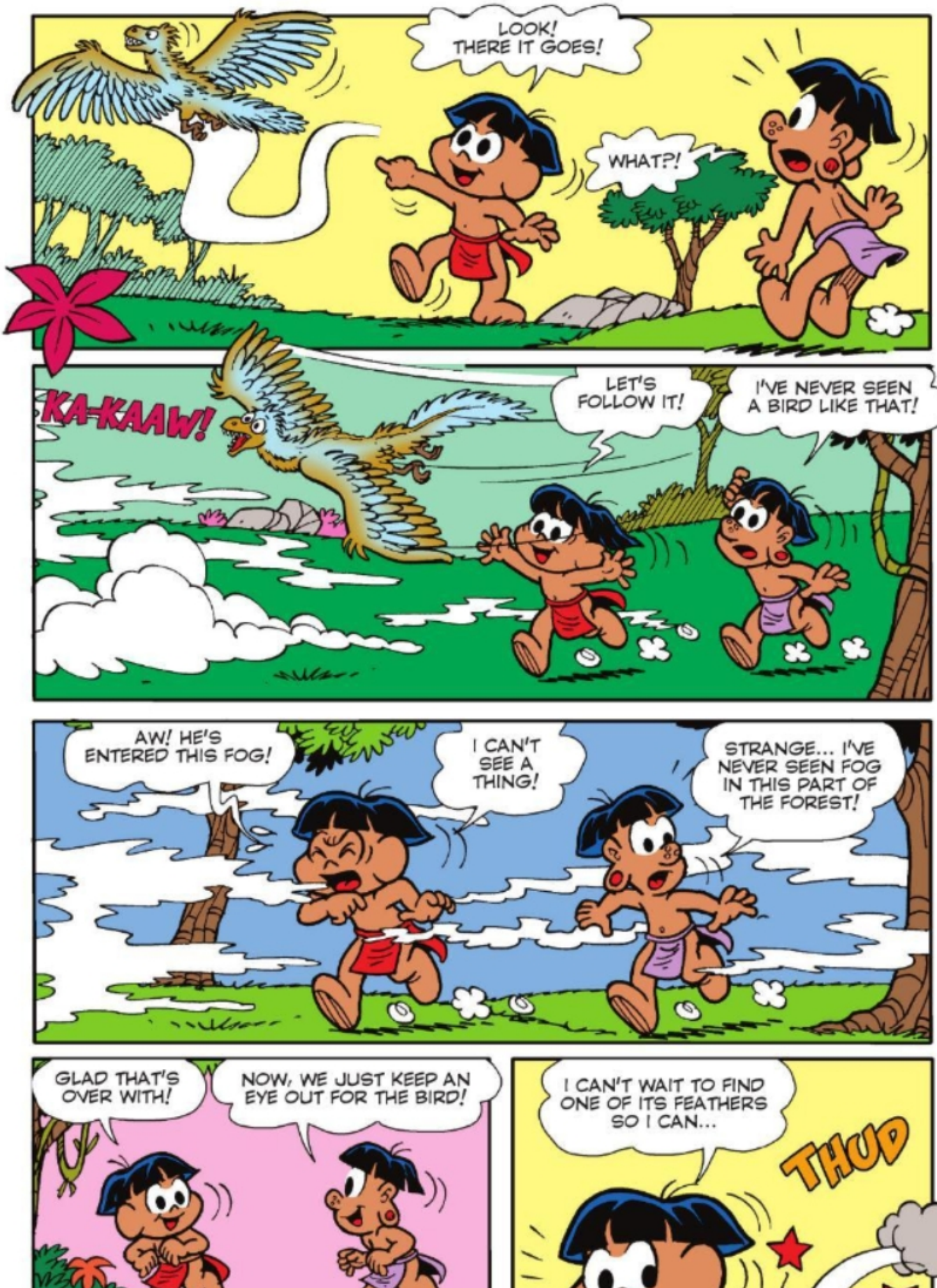
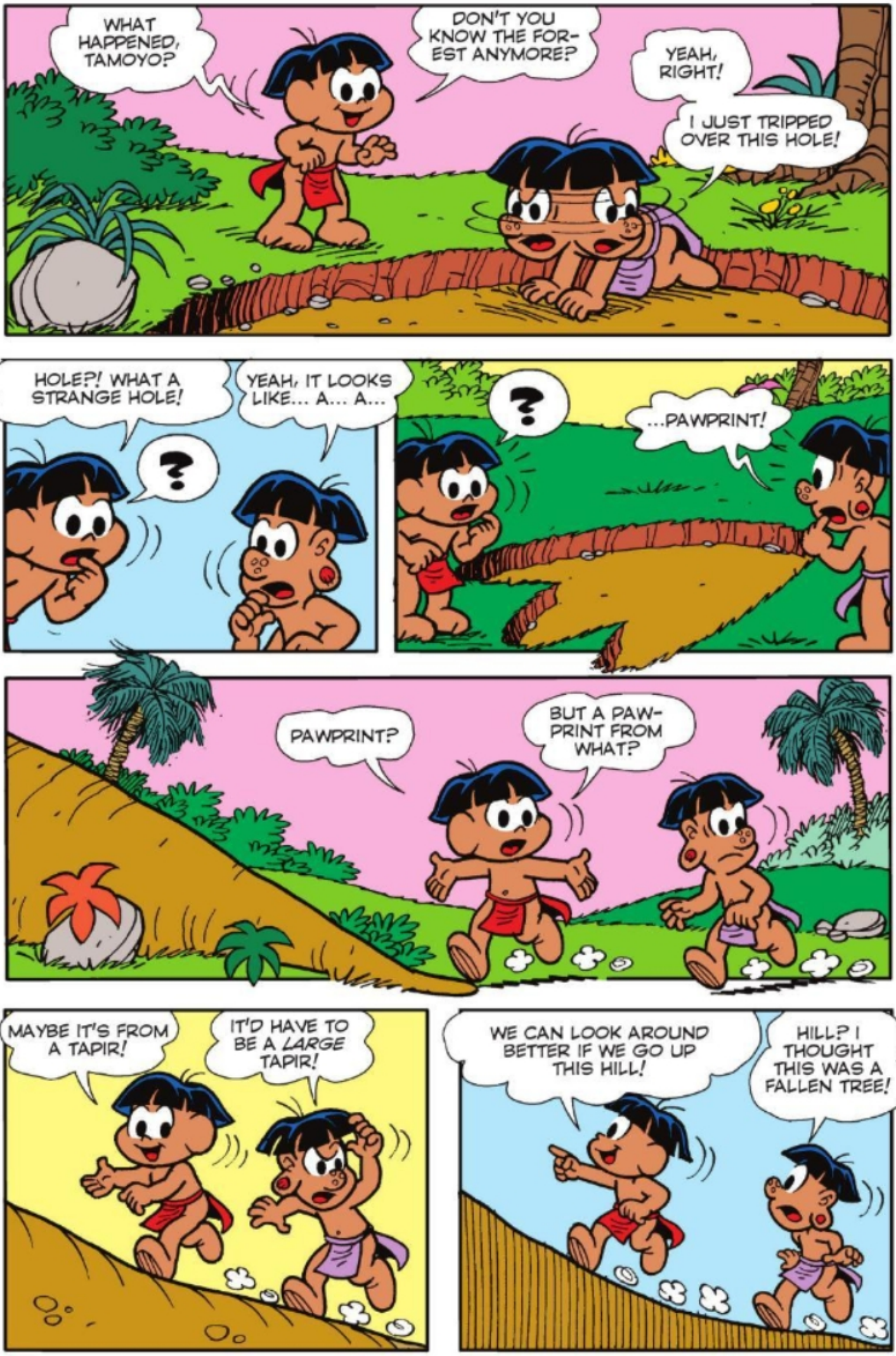
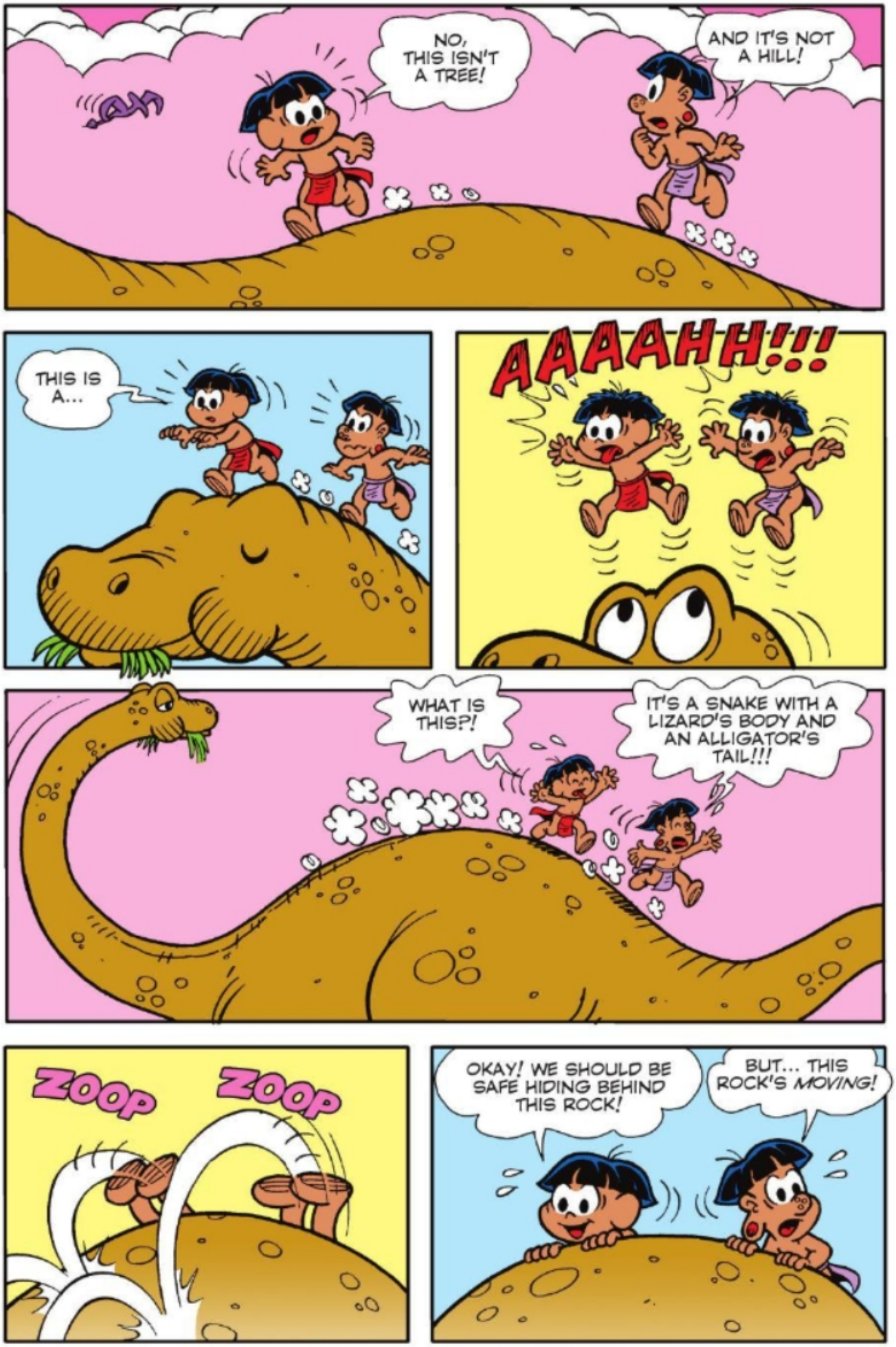
HEY! WHERE ARE YOU HEADED, TOM-TOM?
DIDN'T YOU SEE THAT BIRD FLYING THIS WAY, TAMOYO?
MAURICIO
IT WAS SUCH A STRANGE CREATURE!
I'M TRYING TO FIND IT, SO I CAN SEE IT AGAIN!
IF IT DROPS A FEATHER, I'D PUT IT IN MY HEAD-DRESS!
HEY! I FOUND ONE!
OH! NO, THAT'S A BLUE GROS-BEAK FEATHER!
I WANT ONE FROM THE OTHER BIRD!
HUH?! BUT WHY?
BECAUSE IT HAD CLAWS, FANGS, AND A LIZARD'S TAIL FULL OF FEATHERS!

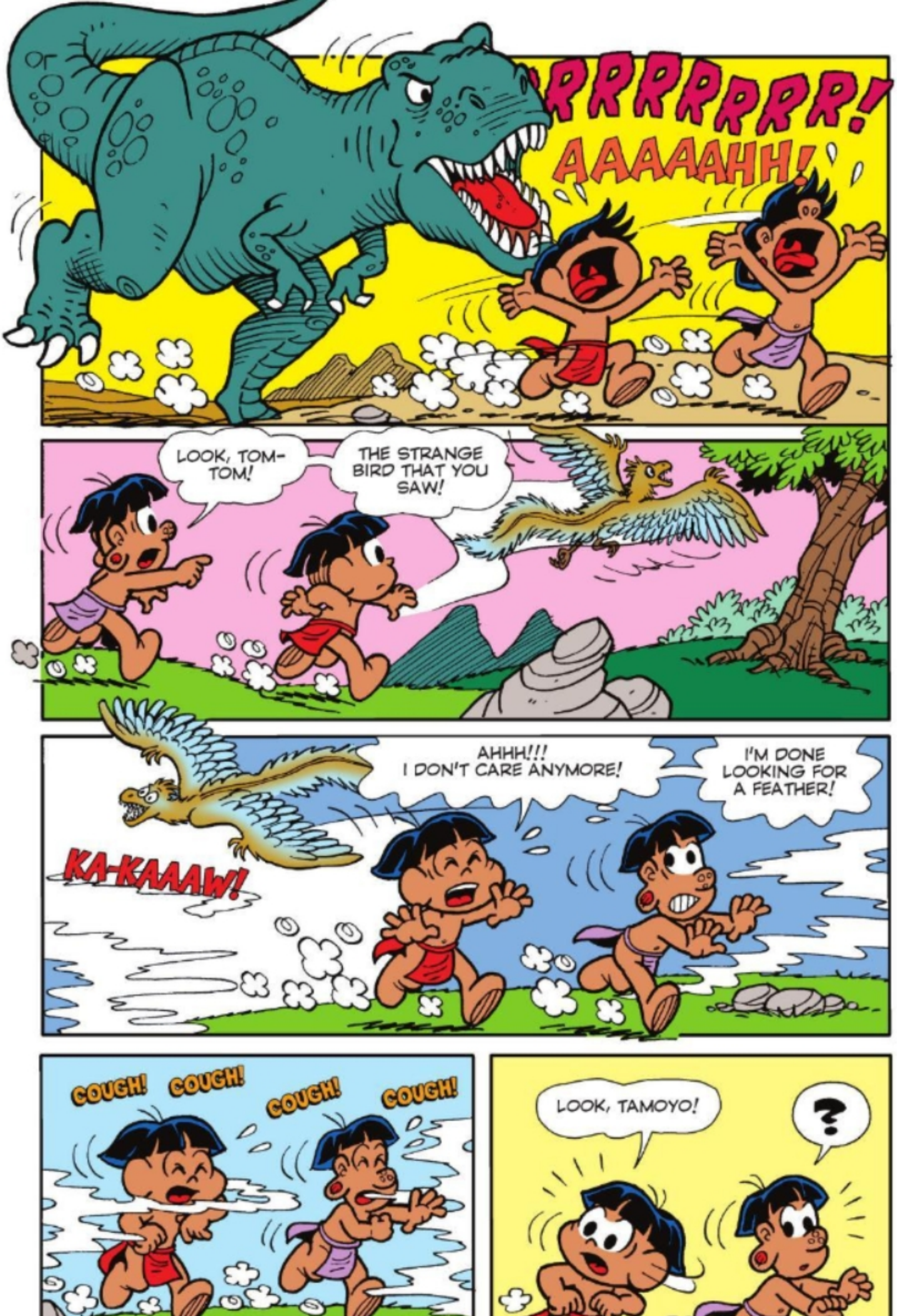

LOOK! THERE IT GOES!
WHAT?!
KA-KAAW!
LET'S FOLLOW IT!
I'VE NEVER SEEN A BIRD LIKE THAT!
AW! HE'S ENTERED THIS FOG!
I CAN'T SEE A THING!
STRANGE... I'VE NEVER SEEN FOG IN THIS PART OF THE FOREST!
GLAD THAT'S OVER WITH!
NOW, WE JUST KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE BIRD!
I CAN'T WAIT TO FIND ONE OF ITS FEATHERS SO I CAN...
THUD


WHAT HAPPENED, TAMOYO?
DON'T YOU KNOW THE FOR-EST ANYMORE?
YEAH, RIGHT!
I JUST TRIPPED OVER THIS HOLE!
HOLE?! WHAT A STRANGE HOLE!
YEAH, IT LOOKS LIKE... A... A...
?
?
...PAWPRINT!
PAWPRINT?
BUT A PAW-PRINT FROM WHAT?
MAYBE IT'S FROM A TAPIR!
IT'D HAVE TO BE A *LARGE* TAPIR!
WE CAN LOOK AROUND BETTER IF WE GO UP THIS HILL!
HILL? I THOUGHT THIS WAS A FALLEN TREE!


NO, THIS ISN'T A TREE!
AND IT'S NOT A HILL!
THIS IS A...
AAAAHH!!!
WHAT IS THIS?!
IT'S A SNAKE WITH A LIZARD'S BODY AND AN ALLIGATOR'S TAIL!!!
ZOOP
ZOOP
OKAY! WE SHOULD BE SAFE HIDING BEHIND THIS ROCK!
BUT... THIS ROCK'S *MOVING*!

?
?
GRAAAWR!
AAAAHH!!!
LET'S HIDE!
BUT... WHERE?!
HERE!
ZOOP
ZOOP
SPLASH
I'M GLAD WE FOUND THIS LAKE!
YEAH!
I JUST DON'T REMEMBER THERE BEING A LAKE HERE!
PFFFFT!
ESPECIALLY ONE WITH A WATERFALL!
?
AND WITH FALLING PLANTS!
SPLAT

AAAHHH!!! THAT'S NOT A WATERFALL!!!
IT'S SOME HUGE THING, CHEWING!!!
LET'S HIDE OVER THERE!
PHEW!
THANKFULLY WE FOUND THESE TREE TRUNKS TO HIDE BEHIND!
HM... THESE TREE TRUNKS ARE STRANGE!
ARE YOU SURE THEY'RE TREE TRUNKS?
ROOOAAAARRR!


RRRRRRRR!
AAAAAHH!
LOOK, TOM-TOM!
THE STRANGE BIRD THAT YOU SAW!
KA-KAAAAW!
AHHH!!! I DON'T CARE ANYMORE!
I'M DONE LOOKING FOR A FEATHER!
COUGH! COUGH!
COUGH! COUGH!
LOOK, TAMOYO!
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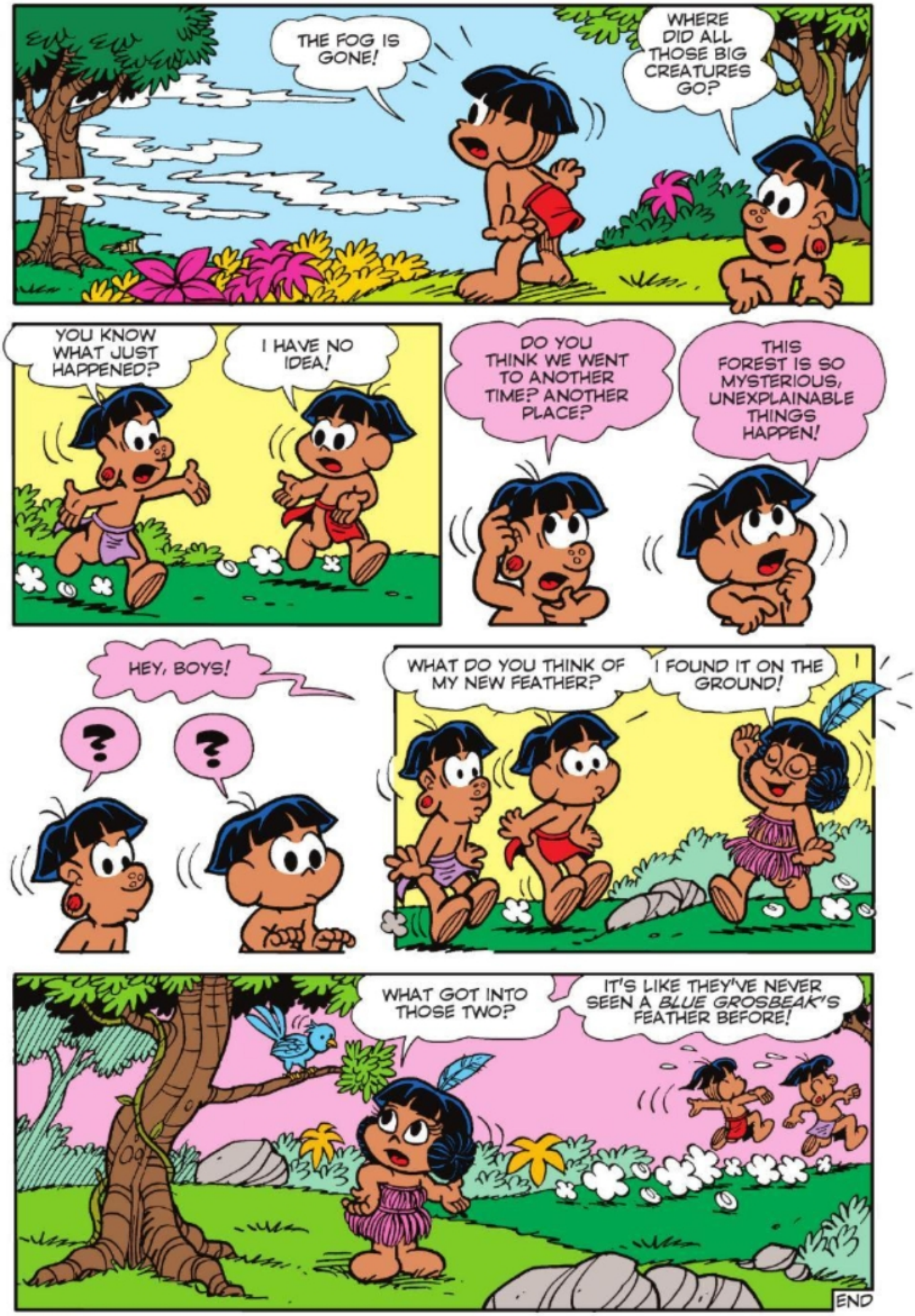
THE FOG IS GONE!
WHERE DID ALL THOSE BIG CREATURES GO?
YOU KNOW WHAT JUST HAPPENED?
I HAVE NO IDEA!
DO YOU THINK WE WENT TO ANOTHER TIME? ANOTHER PLACE?
THIS FOREST IS SO MYSTERIOUS, UNEXPLAINABLE THINGS HAPPEN!
HEY, BOYS!
?
?
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MY NEW FEATHER?
I FOUND IT ON THE GROUND!
WHAT GOT INTO THOSE TWO?
IT'S LIKE THEY'VE NEVER SEEN A *BLUE GROSBEAK*'S FEATHER BEFORE!
END

BUG-A-BOOO
in
GESUNDHEIT
AH... AH... AH...
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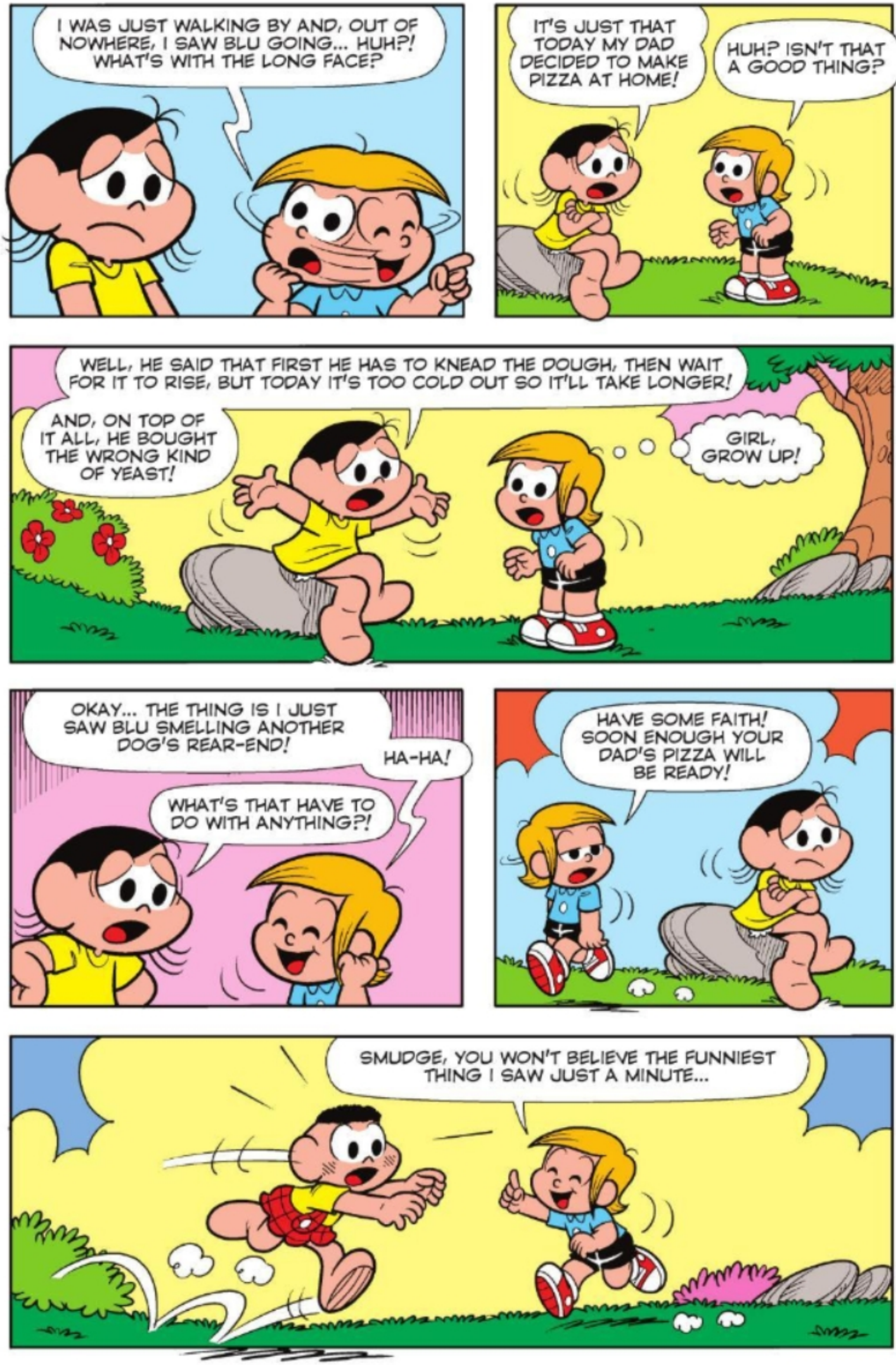
...CHOOO!!!
GESUNDHEIT! HERE IS YOUR NOSE BACK!
THANK YOU!
END

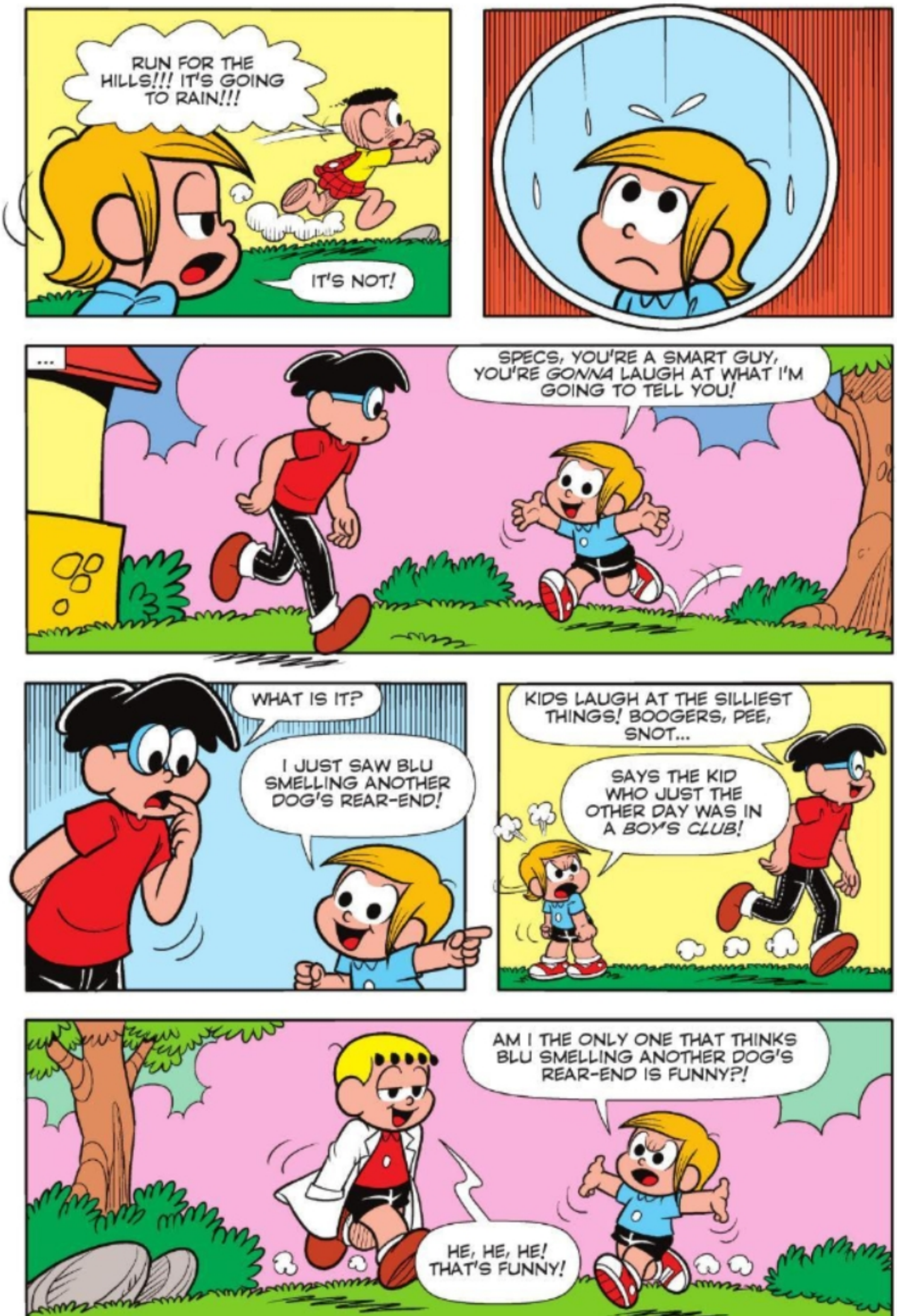
Blu in THE ROPE, FOG

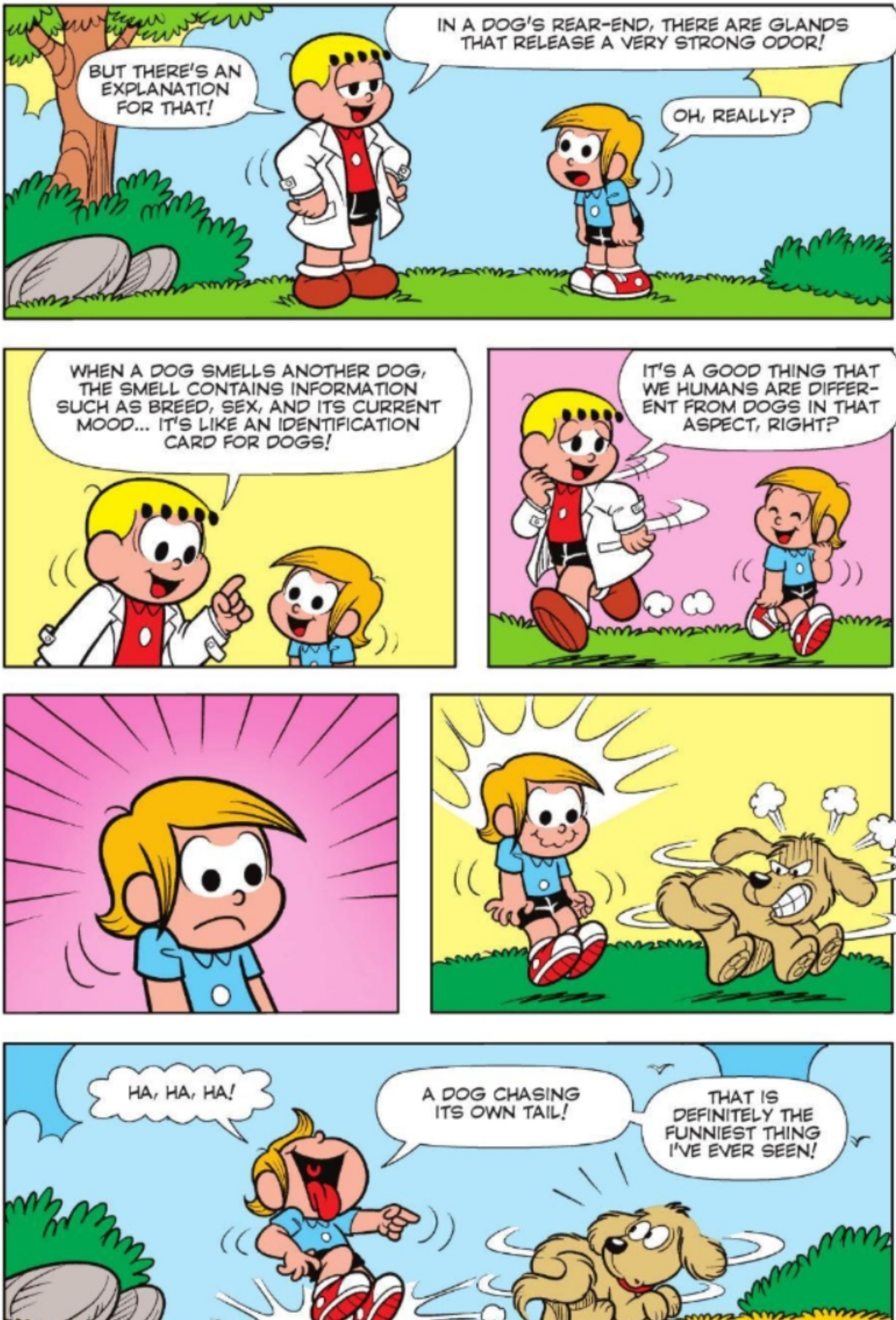
HM! IT'S REALLY GOOD!
IT IS, ISN'T IT?
BUT TELL ME SOMETHING, FOG...
SURE!
YOU STILL HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHAT YOU'RE DOING WITH THAT ROPE!
WHAT ROPE?
GULP!
I'M COMING, DUKE!!!
END

Junior in

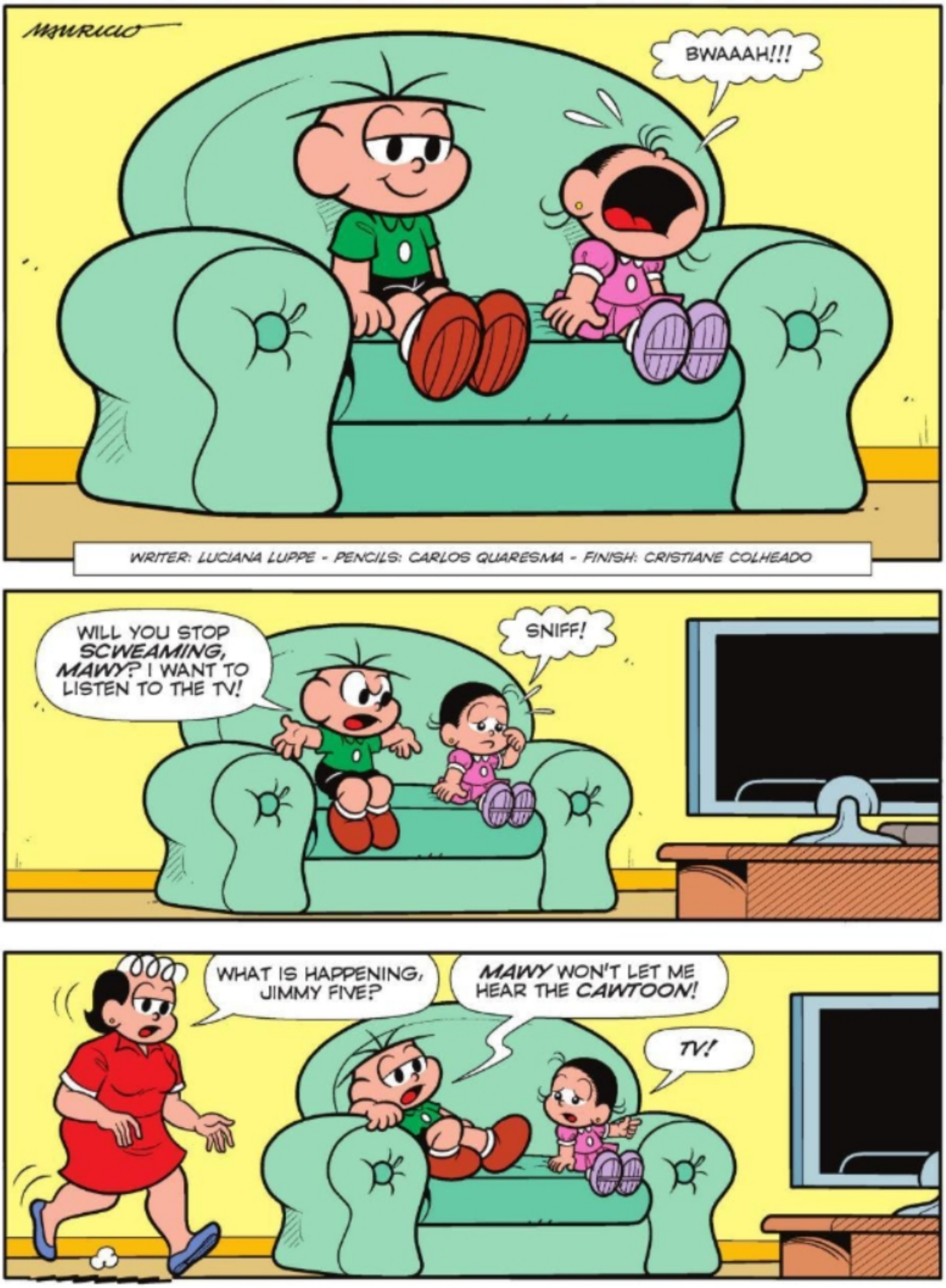
THE FUNNIEST THING IN THE WORLD

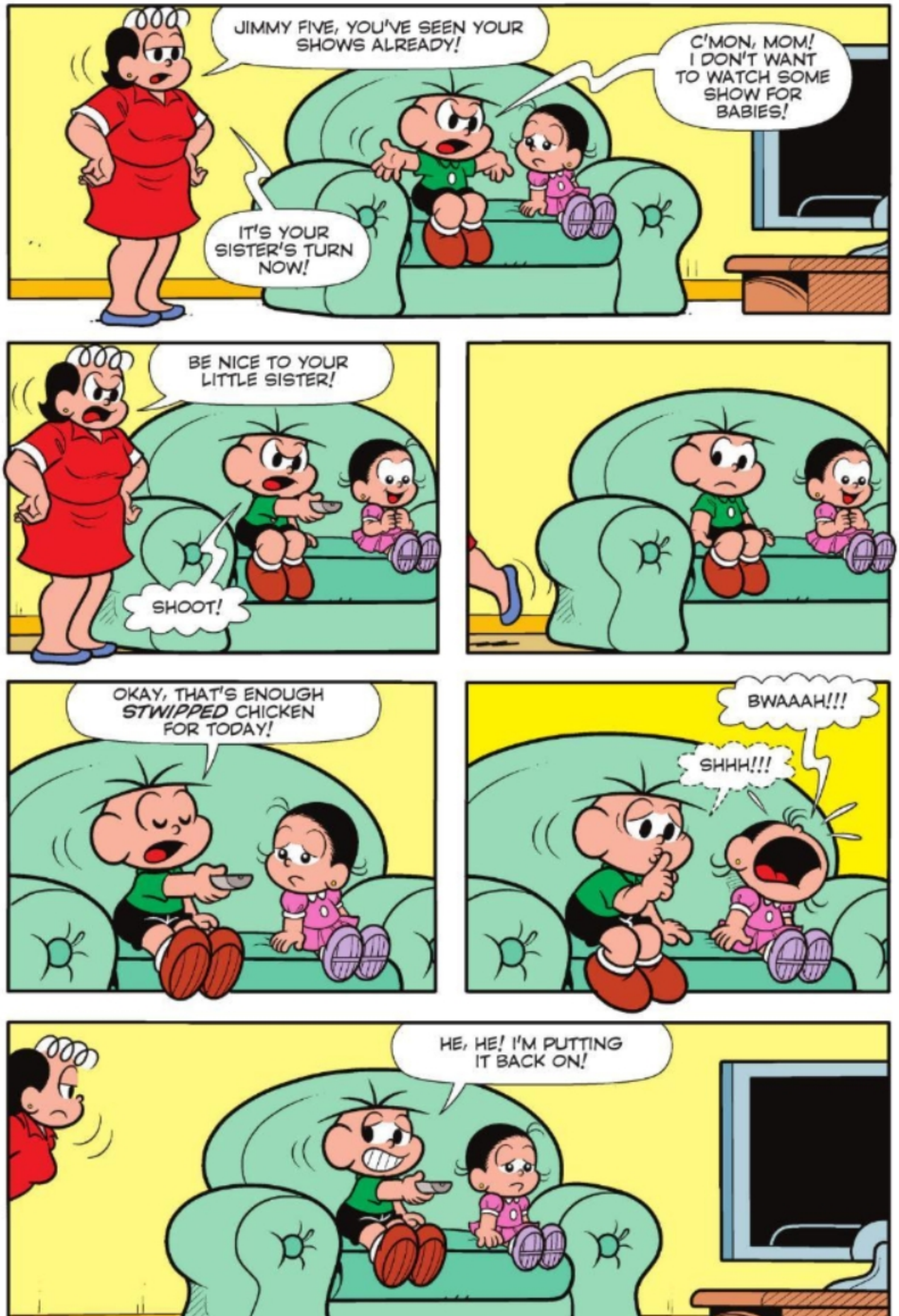

I WAS JUST WALKING BY AND, OUT OF NOWHERE, I SAW BLU GOING... HUH?! WHAT'S WITH THE LONG FACE?
IT'S JUST THAT TODAY MY DAD DECIDED TO MAKE PIZZA AT HOME!
HUH? ISN'T THAT A GOOD THING?
WELL, HE SAID THAT FIRST HE HAS TO KNEAD THE DOUGH, THEN WAIT FOR IT TO RISE, BUT TODAY IT'S TOO COLD OUT SO IT'LL TAKE LONGER!
AND, ON TOP OF IT ALL, HE BOUGHT THE WRONG KIND OF YEAST!
GIRL, GROW UP!
OKAY... THE THING IS I JUST SAW BLU SMELLING ANOTHER DOG'S REAR-END!
HA-HA!
WHAT'S THAT HAVE TO DO WITH ANYTHING?!
HAVE SOME FAITH! SOON ENOUGH YOUR DAD'S PIZZA WILL BE READY!
SMUDGE, YOU WON'T BELIEVE THE FUNNIEST THING I SAW JUST A MINUTE...

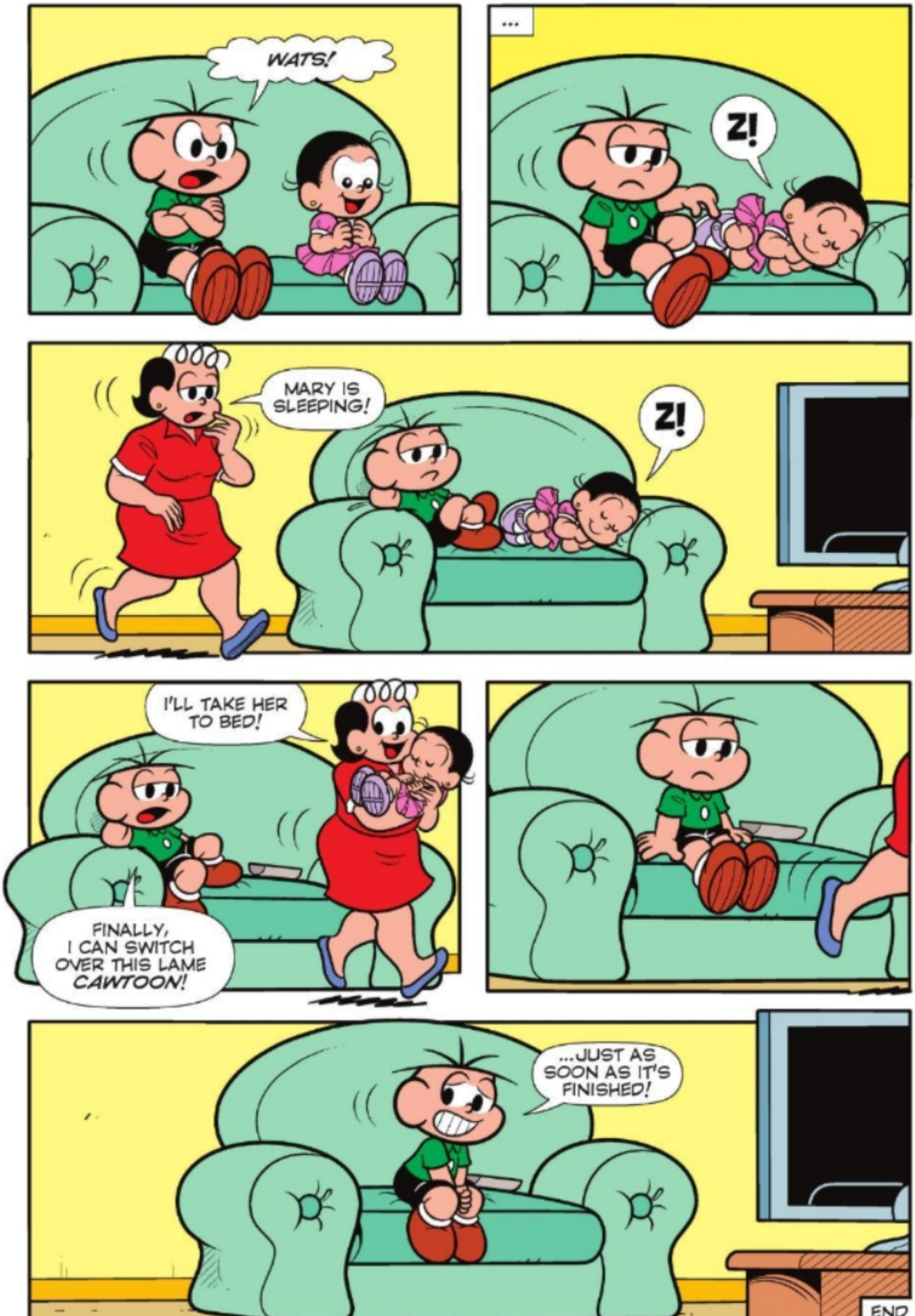

RUN FOR THE HILLS!!! IT'S GOING TO RAIN!!!
IT'S NOT!
...
SPECS, YOU'RE A SMART GUY, YOU'RE *GONNA* LAUGH AT WHAT I'M GOING TO TELL YOU!
WHAT IS IT?
I JUST SAW BLU SMELLING ANOTHER DOG'S REAR-END!
KIDS LAUGH AT THE SILLIEST THINGS! BOOGERS, PEE, SNOT...
SAYS THE KID WHO JUST THE OTHER DAY WAS IN A *BOY'S CLUB*!
AM I THE ONLY ONE THAT THINKS BLU SMELLING ANOTHER DOG'S REAR-END IS FUNNY?!
HE, HE, HE! THAT'S FUNNY!


BUT THERE'S AN EXPLANATION FOR THAT!
IN A DOG'S REAR-END, THERE ARE GLANDS THAT RELEASE A VERY STRONG ODOR!
OH, REALLY?
WHEN A DOG SMELLS ANOTHER DOG, THE SMELL CONTAINS INFORMATION SUCH AS BREED, SEX, AND ITS CURRENT MOOD... IT'S LIKE AN IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR DOGS!
IT'S A GOOD THING THAT WE HUMANS ARE DIFFER-ENT FROM DOGS IN THAT ASPECT, RIGHT?
HA, HA, HA!
A DOG CHASING ITS OWN TAIL!
THAT IS DEFINITELY THE FUNNIEST THING I'VE EVER SEEN!
END

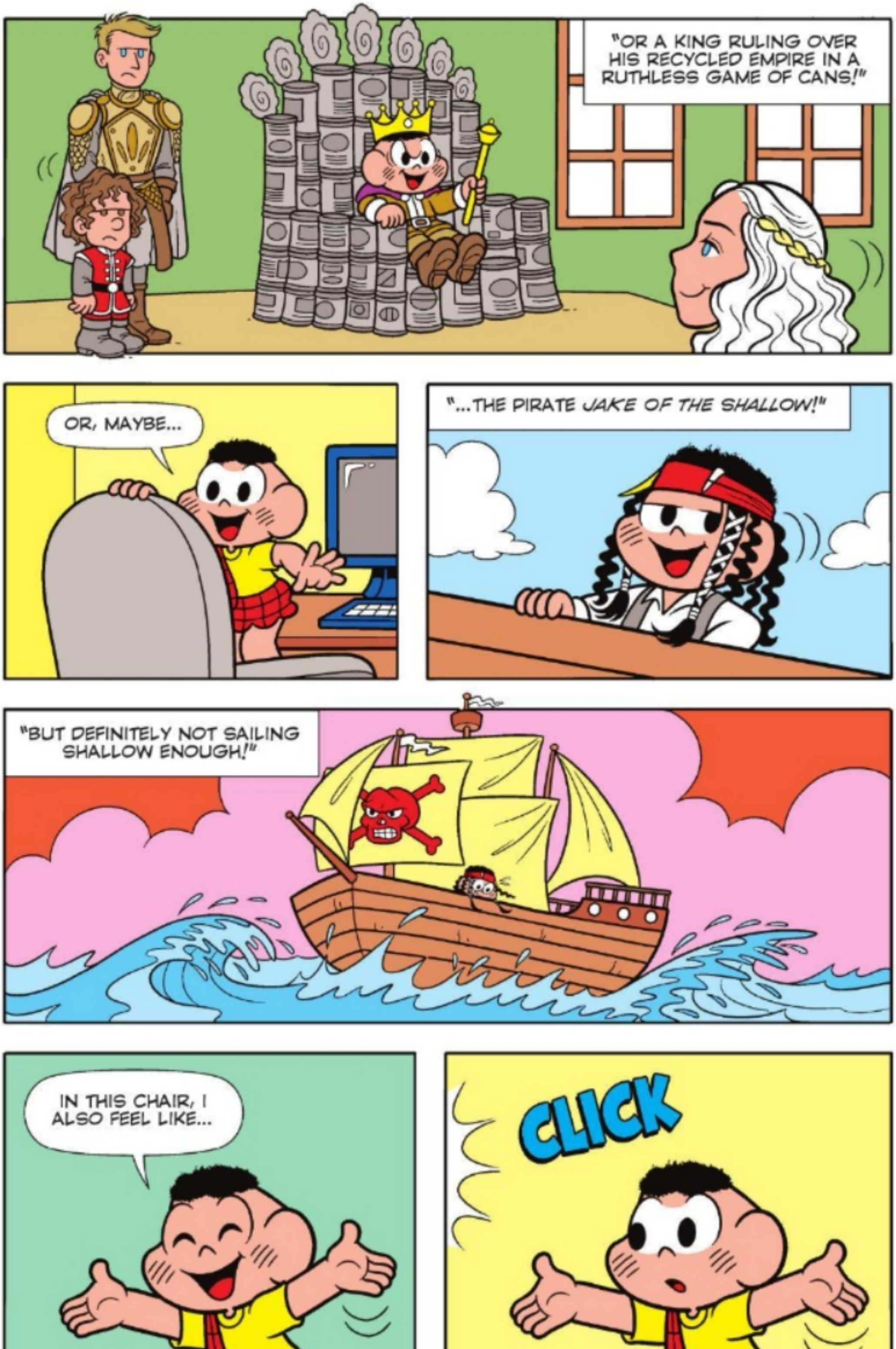
Jimmy Five in
MY FAVORITE PROGRAM




JIMMY FIVE, YOU'VE SEEN YOUR SHOWS ALREADY!
IT'S YOUR SISTER'S TURN NOW!
C'MON, MOM! I DON'T WANT TO WATCH SOME SHOW FOR BABIES!
BE NICE TO YOUR LITTLE SISTER!
SHOOT!
OKAY, THAT'S ENOUGH STWIPPED CHICKEN FOR TODAY!
BWAAAH!!!
SHHH!!!
HE, HE! I'M PUTTING IT BACK ON!


WATS!
...
Z!
MARY IS SLEEPING!
Z!
I'LL TAKE HER TO BED!
FINALLY, I CAN SWITCH OVER THIS LAME CAWTOON!
...JUST AS SOON AS IT'S FINISHED!
END

SMUDGE in THE CHAIR WITH WHEELS


"OR A KING RULING OVER HIS RECYCLED EMPIRE IN A RUTHLESS GAME OF CANS!"
OR, MAYBE...
"...THE PIRATE JAKE OF THE SHALLOW!"
"BUT DEFINITELY NOT SAILING SHALLOW ENOUGH!"
IN THIS CHAIR, I ALSO FEEL LIKE...
CLICK

HONEY, I'M GOING TO USE THE HOME OFFICE!
I BROUGHT SOME WORK I CAN DO HERE...
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT THIS CHAIR FEELS ALMOST MAGICAL! IN IT I FEEL LIKE BUBBLY LIVING THOUSANDS OF ADVENTURES IN HIS SPACESHIP!
END

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